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		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon	Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.15	10.30	11.00	11.15	11.30	11.45	12.00	12.15	12.30	12.45	1.00
Yuenai	Dep.	6.50	8.15	8.40	9.25	10.40	11.10	11.25	11.40	11.55	12.10	12.25	12.40	12.55	1.10
Shatin	Dep.	7.00	8.25	8.50	9.35	10.50	11.20	11.35	11.50	12.05	12.20	12.35	12.50	1.05	1.20
Tai Po	Dep.	7.10	8.35	9.00	9.45	11.00	11.30	11.45	12.00	12.15	12.30	12.45	1.00	1.15	1.30
Tai Po Market	Dep.	7.20	8.45	9.10	9.55	11.10	11.40	11.55	12.10	12.25	12.40	1.00	1.15	1.30	1.45
Shingai	Dep.	7.30	8.55	9.20	10.05	11.20	11.50	12.05	12.20	12.35	1.00	1.15	1.30	1.45	1.60
Shingai	Dep.	7.40	9.05	9.30	10.15	11.30	12.00	12.15	12.30	1.00	1.15	1.30	1.45	1.60	1.75
Shingai	Dep.	7.50	9.15	9.40	10.25	11.40	12.10	12.25	1.00	1.15	1.30	1.45	1.60	1.75	1.90
Shingai	Dep.	8.00	9.25	9.50	10.35	11.50	12.20	1.00	1.15	1.30	1.45	1.60	1.75	1.90	2.05
Canton	Arr.	12.30	1.00	1.10	1.20	1.30	1.40	1.50	2.00	2.10	2.20	2.30	2.40	2.50	3.00

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Shatin	Dep.	7.10	8.35	9.00	9.45	11.00	11.30	11.45	12.00	12.15	12.30	12.45	1.00	1.15	1.30
Shatin	Dep.	7.20	8.45	9.10	9.55	11.10	11.40	11.55	12.10	12.25	12.40	1.00	1.15	1.30	1.45
Shatin	Dep.	7.30	8.55	9.20	10.05	11.20	11.50	12.05	12.20	12.35	1.00	1.15	1.30	1.45	1.60
Shatin	Dep.	7.40	9.05	9.30	10.15	11.30	12.00	12.15	12.30	1.00	1.15	1.30	1.45	1.60	1.75
Shatin	Dep.	7.50	9.15	9.40	10.25	11.40	12.10	12.25	1.00	1.15	1.30	1.45	1.60	1.75	1.90
Shatin	Dep.	8.00	9.25	9.50	10.35	11.50	12.20	1.00	1.15	1.30	1.45	1.60	1.75	1.90	2.05
Canton	Arr.	12.30	1.00	1.10	1.20	1.30	1.40	1.50	2.00	2.10	2.20	2.30	2.40	2.50	3.00

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SUNDAY EXCURSION.

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HIM BY BEDSIDE.

TASTES MEN'S SOUP.

One of the sleepers in the Church Army's "doss house" in Great Peter-street, Westminster, had his dreams disturbed.

He awoke to find a young man standing by his bedside, and, sitting up suddenly, said in a startled way:—

"Why, it's the Prince!"

Then he turned in his bed and awakened his sleeping neighbour to impart the surprising news.

The Prince was concluding a busy evening's tour which had taken him through some of the darkest quarters of the East End.

The news of his visit to the Church Army, King George's Work Aid Embankment Home, in Great Peter-street, had preceded him and more than fifty destitute men awaited his coming.

They passed the time away by singing the "Frothblowers" Anthem. The Prince arrived in time to find some of the men drinking soup and eating their supper.

Songs and Cheers.

He was shown the free beds for outcasts who are sent in by the Metropolitan Asylums Board, the ward for men who are earning their keep and the private cubicles for those who are able to earn a little money.

Then he was taken to the common room, where he was greeted with a mixture of cheers, cries of "Good old Teddy!" and the singing of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

He shook hands with some of the men and chatted to them.

After chatting to Mr. John Muston, an ex-Marine, who was one of the royal orderlies at Cowes in 1903, the Prince went into the kitchen and was shown the copper where the nightly soup ration is prepared.

"I should like a cup of that," said the Prince, and a cupful was ladled out for him. He drank it with relish and exclaimed after wards: "That is jolly good soup."

Old Women's Greetings.

Then fifty voices in-unison wished the Prince "Good night" and he crossed the road to Peter House, the home for women.

Here women, some of them more than eighty years old, who earn precarious livings as match-sellers, or who are entirely without means, were presented to him. The Prince shook hands with them, and one or two made quaint, old-fashioned curtsies as they touched his hand.

The youngest resident, a girl of twenty-one, was also presented to his Royal Highness.

Quavering voices sang "God Bless the Prince of Wales" as the Prince stepped into his car and drove away.

Talks With "Down-and-Outs" in East End.

Before his visit to Westminster the Prince had spent a busy evening in the East End, where he visited the following places:—

Toynbee Hall, Whitechapel, where he saw girls receiving instruction in Greek dancing and had the house-maid presented to him.

Luck's Club for Young Men, where he chatted with several members.

Poor Man's Lawyer, where two barristers and a solicitor gave free legal advice.

Wolf Boy Scouts Troop's headquarters, where he shook hands with all the members and played a game of ping-pong with the fiancée of a Mr. Wintersgill.

Roman-road Baths, where he saw a boys' boxing tournament and made a speech from the ring.

Settle-street, Whitechapel, shelter, run by a local church, where he met a number of "down-and-outs," who were just going to bed.

BURIED CITY OF HERCULANEUM. LANEUM.

NEW EXCAVATION SCHEME.

RICHES OF POMPEII.

Great interest, especially among archaeologists, has been aroused by the announcement that Signor Mussolini, the Italian Premier, has directed inquiries to be made with a view to resuming excavations at the site of Herculaneum, the ancient Italian coast town between Naples and Pompeii, which latter place it was destroyed in the year 79 by an eruption of Mount Vesuvius.

The villages of Portici and Resina were built over the site. In 1719, during the sinking of a well, parts of the ancient city were discovered, and since then excavations have been made at intervals.

The Minister of Public Instruction has been in conference at Naples with the local superintendent of monuments, who has drawn up a complete scheme for the work of excavation.

It is believed that a resumption of the task will be approved at the next Cabinet Council.

PATRICIANS' VILLAS.

Treasures of inestimable importance may lie awaiting discovery beneath the solidified volcanic rock that covers Herculaneum, writes Mr. G. Ward Price in the *Daily Mail*.

The excavation of the buried city would be much more costly, but much more fruitful, than that of Pompeii. Whereas Pompeii was an ordinary little Roman country town, Herculaneum was a pleasure resort of rich villa-fall of things precious in art and literature.

Moreover, Pompeii was not overwhelmed by a lava flood, but "sucked under" by a downfall of ash. The survivors of its population, who had escaped suffocation by the gases poured out from the crater of Vesuvius, were able to return and, by digging down through the cinders and dust, succeeded in rescuing many of their abandoned possessions.

But Herculaneum was submerged much more swiftly by a torrent of lava and stones which, pouring down the mountain side, swallowed up the city as it stood, and then quickly hardened into rock so solid that it now serves as foundation for many modern houses.

Olivia's Treasure-Seekers.

Four years ago, when Professor Spinazzola, then the Director of the National Museum in Naples, explained to me the new methods of excavation by which he had made the remarkable recovery, in the exact form it possessed eighteen and a half centuries earlier, of the "Street of Abundance" at Pompeii, he said that the picture of daily Roman life yielded by his work at Pompeii was nothing to what might be expected if Herculaneum were ever opened up.

Pompeii has been ransacked and largely ruined (he said) by the clumsy tunnelling of the treasure-seekers of centuries. Meanwhile Herculaneum has lain safe beneath its tombstone of tuff.

The libraries of the villas that lie buried there must have been rich in manuscripts, some of them, perhaps, of classical works since lost to us.

I should expect to find there all the beautiful furniture with which the Roman patricians filled their homes.

If the difficulties of removing the volcanic rock can be overcome without injury to what is covered, it is almost certain that statues will be discovered equal in beauty to the famous figures of two wrestlers, advancing upon each other, which were found there in the course of earlier excavations.

"The Wrestlers" group referred to above was originally in Herculaneum, and is now in the Naples Museum. Copies of the figures may be seen in the Embankment Gardens, E.C., near the Temple Underground Railway Station.

Annual Race Meeting (2nd day).

St. David's Society lay wreath Cenotaph, 11 a.m.
Cricket: Volunteers v. Army, Recreation ground.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

St. David's Society Annual Dinner, Hotel Savoy, 7.45 p.m.
Murray Troop Scouts social dance, R.E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks, 8.30 p.m. "Semrah" Orchestra.

Principal mails:—Outward: Canada, U.S.A., etc. Europe via Siberia and San Francisco (President Jefferson), 8.30 a.m.; Europe via Marseilles (Anglo), 1.30 p.m.

THE WEEK'S DIARY.

To-day.

Legislative Council Meeting, 2.30 p.m.
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Hockey: Club "A" v. H.K. and Singapore R.A., Marina ground, 5 p.m.
Lecture: Paper by Mr. C. D. Lambert on "Automobile Troubles and how to avoid them," Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hong Kong, 6.45 p.m.

Organ recital, St. John's Cathedral, by Mr. R. Baldwin, 5.45 p.m.
Y.R.C. Annual meeting, 6 p.m.
St. Andrew's Young Men's Club Social, 8.30 p.m.

Boxing: R.N. and Royal Marine Novices competition, R.N.C. Theatre, Queen's Theatre: "Wages of Virtue."

World Theatre: "Midshipman." Star Theatre: "The Freshman." Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe, Canada, U.S.A., etc. Europe via Victoria, B.C. (Proteus), 10.30 a.m.

Saturday.
Annual meeting H.K. and Shanghai Bank, City Hall, noon.
Fauling Hunt meet Hunters' Arms, 3 p.m.

Girl Guides rally, Headquarters House; presentation of Prince of Wales Banner by Lady Clementi, 3.40 p.m.

"The Hong Kong Derby" Draw, H.K. Jockey Club Stand, 3 p.m.
Annual Meeting Bank of East Asia, No. 10, Des Voeux Road, 3.30 p.m.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Football and Cricket: details in Saturday's issue.
Yachting: Racing Yachts, compete for Tui Yui Cup for prize winners.

H.K. Boy Scouts Association Camp: Fire Sing-song, Seaman's Institute, 7.45 p.m.
Association of Past and Present Commercial Students Annual Dinner, Great Hall, University, 7.45 p.m.

Smoking Concert at K.C.C.; presentation of tennis and bowls prizes by President (Mr. R. E. Lindell), 8 p.m.

Dance Display by Miss V. Capell's pupils, Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
Dance Craze-gower Cricket Club, 9.15 p.m.

Boxing: R.N. and Royal Marines Novices competition, R.N.C. Theatre, Queen's Theatre: "Wages of Virtue."

World Theatre: "Midshipman." Star Theatre: "The Freshman." Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Negapatam (Albert Voegler), and (Kangaroo Maru). Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Hakusan Maru), 9.30 a.m.; Europe via Siberia (Ginga Maru), 10 a.m.

Sunday.
Fauling Hunt meet Sheung Shui Police Station, 9.30 a.m.

Congregation of St. Peter's Church annual meeting; Sailors' Home, W.P., noon.
Yachting: Cruisers re-sail 5th Championship race.

2nd Annual Masonic Service, St. John's Cathedral, 6 p.m.
Confirmation Service, St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, 6 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Making of O'Malley."
World Theatre: "The Wife of the Centaur."

Star Theatre: "Long Live The King." Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Negapatam (Albert Voegler), Monday.

Annual Race meeting. Entries close for H.K. Horticultural Society's annual show.
Cricket: Volunteers v. Combined League, H.K.C.C. ground, Club de Recreo v. K.C.C. (Leisure), Recreo ground, 2 p.m.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Dance display by Miss V. Capell's pupils, Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
Extraordinary general meeting H.K. Philharmonic Society, Cathedral Hall, 8.30 p.m.

St. Peter's Young Men's Club opening dance, R.E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks, 8.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Making of O'Malley."

World Theatre: "Wife of the Centaur."
Star Theatre: "Long Live The King." Principal Mails:—Inward: U.S.A., etc. President Wilson and President Lincoln. Outward: Europe via Siberia (Gambhiru), 5 p.m.

Tuesday.
St. David's Day.
H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament opens.

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REFERENCE TO THE LATE SIR C. P. CHATER.

It was stated at the fortieth ordinary annual meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., yesterday at noon that there was a decrease on the net earnings compared with the previous year, which was entirely due to the adverse conditions which ruled throughout the year. However, the report was generally satisfactory, and a dividend of \$6 per share was announced.

The Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (Chairman) presided and was supported by the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, and Messrs. A. S. D. Couland, T. G. Weall, Allan Cameron, A. H. Compton, A. S. Gubbay and Frank Austin (Directors), and Mr. F. H. Crapnell (Acting Secretary). There were also present the following shareholders:—Capt. T. P. Hall, Messrs. W. S. Bailey, O. Kitchell, Sen Kon Chi, F. M. Crawford, N. V. A. Croucher, A. Murdoch, J. T. Bagram, C. H. W. Kew and T. J. Stoke.

The Chairman's Speech.

The Chairman said:—It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of the late Sir C. P. Chater last May and the very great loss we have suffered thereby. This Company was floated in 1887 to take over the business of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company and the wharf and godown interests of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. The former was the development of Sir Paul's interests and entirely due to his initiative and the work he personally undertook in the early days to satisfy himself as to the suitability of the waterfront for the business he developed. When this Company was formed he became a permanent Director and during the 40 years since its inception he took the keenest interest in its progress and his services were of the greatest value to the Company.

Net Earnings.

The net earnings for the past year amounted to \$754,838.14 which is \$227,575.95 less than for the previous year. This decrease was entirely due to the adverse conditions conditions which ruled throughout the year and with which you are all familiar.

The balance available for appropriation, including 331,190.50 brought forward, amounts to \$812,733.68. Your Directors recommend the payment of a dividend of \$6 per share and that the balance \$202,733.68, be carried forward.

You will notice a Retiring Bonus of \$25,000 was paid to the Accountant, Mr. Hooper, who retired after 20 years' service. Your Directors feel sure that shareholders will approve the payment of this bonus in recognition of Mr. Hooper's long and faithful service.

Building of New Godown.

The building of the new godown, to which I referred at last year's Meeting, has been delayed somewhat as Manufacturers in England were unable to supply the steelwork during the Coal Strike. However, nearly all the necessary material has now arrived and we expect the building by the end of the year. I do not think there is anything more that calls for comment, and I now beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented. When this has been seconded, I shall be glad to answer any questions any shareholder may wish to ask.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang seconded.

There were no questions, and the report and accounts were passed unanimously.

Other Business.

On the proposition of Mr. BAILEY, seconded by Capt. HALL, Messrs. A. S. D. Couland and Allan Cameron were re-elected as Directors.

On the proposition of Mr. CRAWFORD, seconded by Mr. CROUCHER, Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, and Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-elected as auditors.

The Chairman: That is all the business of the meeting, gentlemen, and I thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants may be obtained on application on and after to-morrow (Friday), February 25th.

HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

[ORDERS BY LT.-COL. L. G. BIRD, D.A.G., ADMINISTRATIVE COMMANDANT.]

No. 208.

1.—Scottish Company.

MUSKETRY COURSE.

Part I. will be fired by the above Company at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, February 27th, 1927.

Range Officer: 2/Lieut. Alistair Mackenzie.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or multi optional, but rifle, bayonet, pouches, braces and belts must be taken as the whole Part I. Course must be fired in drill order, whether over uniform or multi.

Arms: Must be drawn from Headquarters to-day, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 3 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, February 26th, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

2.—Army Service Corps Cadre.

The following extract from the Hong Kong Government Gazette dated February 19th, 1927, is repeated:—

H.E. the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from February 15th, 1927:—

Henry Edmund Standage, O.B.E., to be Major.

Thomas Graham Weall to be Lieutenant.

Frank Seymour Harrison to be Lieutenant.

Arthur Henry Gillingham to be Lieutenant.

The above gentlemen have been granted direct commissions in the Corps under special circumstances and are posted to the Army Service Corps Cadre.

3.—The following letter from H.E. the Governor addressed to H.E. the General Officer Commanding, South China Command, is repeated for information:—

Government House, Hong Kong, 15th February, 1927.

Sir,—I should be glad if your Excellency would be so good as to convey my appreciation and thanks to the troops and volunteers for the further route marches undertaken during this month. The moral effect of these demonstrations has been most valuable to my Government in these anxious times.—I have the honour to be, Sir, Your Excellency's most obedient servant,

(Signed) C. CLEMENTI, Governor, etc.

His Excellency The General Officer Commanding the Troops, Headquarters, S.C. Command, Hong Kong.

4.—Medals.

The Commandant, notices that many men entitled to wear medals are not in possession of same.

On C. Companies will submit a list to Orderly Room as soon as possible giving names of such men stating:—

(a) Full details of medals required.

(b) The unit or units the man served in.

(c) Regimental Number in the various units served in.

(d) Whether medals are lost or whether they were never issued.

In the case of men who have lost their medals these must be prepared to pay for same.

5.—Mounted Infantry and Armoured Car Companies.

Musketry Course Part I. will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, March 13th, 1927.

As a large number of men were inefficient last season in musketry, it is strongly urged that as many as possible will avail themselves of the Classes arranged for instruction in musketry as detailed below:

The musketry classes will be held on Mondays and Thursdays, commencing Thursday, March 3rd, 1927, at Kennedy Road Range.

Dress: Rifles, bayonets, bandoliers and belts.

Individual instruction at Kennedy Road Range will be given to recruits who must keep these dates open, viz., Thursday, 3rd, Monday, 7th, and Thursday, 10th March, 1927.

Machine Gunners. Coaching for Machine Gun Competition will be given by Sergt. Henderson on Thursdays at 5.30 p.m., at Volunteer Headquarters.

All members of the M.I. and A.C. Companies are requested to go to their utmost to turn up for the shoot at Stonecutters on Sunday, March 13th. Details as to time, dress, etc., will be issued later. The following prizes will be shot for:

1.—Highest aggregate.

2.—Score showing most improvement over last year.

3.—Highest aggregate made by a member of the M.I.

4.—Highest aggregate made by a member of the Mobile Column.

5.—Highest aggregate made by a Machine Gunner.

6.—Highest aggregate made at Grouping and 500 yards application.

6.—Strength.

The following recruits are taken on the strength and posted as under:—

No. 1123 Pte. A. P. E. Silva, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 17th, 1927.

No. 1124 Pte. A. A. Gutierrez, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 17th, 1927.

No. 1125 Pte. E. R. Gosamke, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 17th, 1927.

No. 1126 Pte. J. A. Basto, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 17th, 1927.

No. 1127 Spr. W. G. Stone, Engineer Coy., dated February 18th, 1927.

No. 1128 Pte. C. F. Remedios, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 19th, 1927.

No. 1129 Pte. E. A. Noronha, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 19th, 1927.

No. 1130 Pte. H. C. B. Way, No. 1 Platoon, dated February 21st, 1927.

No. 1131 Pte. G. A. Ribeiro, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 21st, 1927.

No. 1132 Pte. F. G. Ribeiro, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 21st, 1927.

No. 1133 Pte. D. P. Xavier, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 21st, 1927.

No. 1134 Pte. G. H. Bond, A. Car Coy., dated February 22nd, 1927.

No. 1135 Pte. N. B. Maher, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 22nd, 1927.

No. 1136 Pte. F. A. Barretto, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 22nd, 1927.

No. 1137 Pte. D. L. Strellett, No. 1 Platoon, dated February 22nd, 1927.

No. 1138 Spr. P. C. Mooney, Engineer Coy., dated February 22nd, 1927.

No. 1139 Pte. J. A. Fox, No. 2 Platoon, dated February 23rd, 1927.

No. 1140 Pte. H. O. Castro, No. 4 Platoon, dated February 23rd, 1927.

7.—Transfer.

No. 540 Pte. W. Beveridge, Mounted Infantry Company, is permitted to transfer to the Machine Gun Section of the Armoured Car Company, as from February 23th, 1927.

8.—Leave.

The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps:—

No. 345 C.Q.M.S. P. W. R. Ramsay, Scottish Coy., from February 23rd to December 22nd, 1927.

No. 224 L/Sgt. J. C. Fletcher, No. 7 Platoon, from February 17th, 1927, to February 16th, 1928.

No. 1102 Pte. E. M. Bryden, No. 7 Platoon, from February 21st to February 27th, 1927.

No. 600 Pte. A. W. E. Davidson, Reserves, Scot. Section, from February 17th to April 16th, 1927.

No. 523 Spr. J. Fraser, Engineer Company, from February 18th to March 7th, 1927.

No. 1081 Spr. E. H. Williams, Engineer Company, from Feb. 14th to March 27th, 1927.

No. 595 Pte. G. W. Sellars, No. 7 Platoon, from February 21st to March 2nd, 1927.

No. 573 Pte. V. Goubiron, A.C. Co., from February 21st to February 28th, 1927.

No. 533 Pte. E. Law, Medical Section, from February 23rd to March 20th, 1927.

2/Lt. A. K. Mackenzie, Scottish Company, from February 20th to February 27th, 1927.

No. 454 Pte. V. H. C. Jarrett, Reserve Company, is granted an extension of leave from March 1st to March 31st, 1927.

9.—Resignations.

The following are permitted to resign from the Corps:—

No. 880 Pte. I. B. Trevor, Reserve Company, as from January 31st, 1927.

No. 589 Pte. J. Sturton, No. 7 Platoon, as from February 16th, 1927.

No. 222 Pte. G. Henderson, Reserve Company, as from February 20th, 1927.

No. 688 Pte. K. E. H. Oliver, Headquarters Staff, as from February 21st, 1927.

R. A. Wolke-Murray, Major, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C. Hong Kong, February, 23th, 1927.

LORD LONSDALE 70.

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Gaslight	\$272 buy.
Cements (combined)	\$273 nom.
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Do. (new)	\$275 nom.
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Do. (old)	\$277 nom.
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ANGLO-JAVA DIVIDEND.

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts have received a cable from their Shanghai Office announcing that the Anglo-Java Estates have declared a final dividend of Tls. 0.60 per share, making Tls. 1.40 for the year.

BRITAIN'S GRAVE WARNING TO THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT.

PROPAGANDA AND PLOTTING MUST CEASE.

REVIEW OF ATTACKS BY SOVIET MINISTERS AND
OFFICIAL PRESS.

SEVERANCE OF "ORDINARY" DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
MAY RESULT.

LONDON, February 23rd.
A Note from the British Government was handed to-day to the Soviet Charge D'Affaires in London warning the Soviet Government that its hostile propaganda threatens the maintenance of ordinary diplomatic relations with Britain. The Note declares that Anglo-Russian relations continue notoriously to be of an unsatisfactory nature. It reminds the Soviet Government that on June 4th, 1923, the Soviet Government solemnly signed the following agreement:

"The Soviet Government undertakes not to support with funds, or in any other form, persons or bodies or agencies or institutions whose aim is to spread discontent or foment rebellion in any part of the British Empire and to impress upon its officers and officials full and continuous observance of these conditions."

It recalls that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, as Foreign Minister, cited this agreement in his Note of October 24th, 1924, to Mr. Rakovsky and stated that "No government will ever tolerate an arrangement with a foreign government whereby the latter is in formal diplomatic relations of a correct kind with it whilst at the same time a propagandist body organically connected with that foreign government encourages and even orders subjects of the former to plot and plan revolutions. Such conduct is not only a grave departure from the rules of international comity but a violation of the specific and solemn undertakings repeatedly given to His Majesty's Government."

"Continuous Breaches."
The Note proceeding says that despite this warning it has been necessary on more than one occasion to draw the attention of the Soviet representative in this country to continuous breaches of this solemn engagement. So long as the present rulers of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics are, they are technically members of the government or members of the political bureau, which is the real and dominating authority in the Union, or its Ambassadors abroad persist in making public utterances in denigration of Great Britain or in advocacy of world revolution no improvement is possible. This public attitude of men holding high positions in Russia is moreover totally inconsistent with any profession of goodwill given privately by Soviet representatives in this country. For instance Mr. Krassin, late Soviet Charge D'Affaires in London, declared in October last that he was instructed to state it was the real desire of the Soviet Government to remove causes of difficulty and establish friendly relations with the British Government. Yet while this very instruction was being carried out by Mr. Krassin a regular campaign of public slander and misrepresentation against Great Britain was in progress and not even the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs himself, who was at least nominally the author of these instructions, could refrain from participating in this campaign.

His Majesty's Government indeed are well aware of the delusion under which Mr. Chicherin and many of his colleagues are suffering that Great Britain is continually occupied in plotting against the Union of the Socialist Soviet Republics and for the purpose has never ceased to guide the policy of such countries as Poland, the Baltic States and Persia, into an orientation directed against Soviet Russia. No impartial study of the policies of those countries, no dispassionate examination of facts, no assurances from His Majesty's Government have availed to dispel this obsession which is as illogical as it is ill-founded. Its continuance, therefore, can only be based on the rooted, even perhaps temperamental, hostility in the minds of the Soviet authorities themselves and their corresponding credulity regarding these false reports from interested informants.

"Particularly Hostile."

The Note mentions a particularly hostile speech delivered on December 6th by M. Chicherin himself in Berlin wherein he declared that the British periodical the *Year Book* had threatened Persia with trouble fomented by Great Britain if she did not show herself amenable to British desires. The Note says that an examination would have shown that no such threat had appeared in the *Year Book*. The same credulity and hostility are shown by M. Voroshilov, People's Commissar for War, in a speech to the new com-

manders and political workers in the Soviet Army on September 17th and by M. Unschlicht, Vice-Commissar for War, in an article in *Pravda* on September 18th. Again the Soviet Ambassador Kamenet was recently reported as stating that Ancient, the Communist leader devoted undue attention to the internal welfare of the Union instead of concentrating his efforts on revolution abroad. Even more aggressive in its hostility towards the British Empire is the chief organ of the Communist Politbureau which, as already mentioned, is the real Russian Government and cannot escape identification as such. The Note gives extracts from speeches made by M. Bukharin, one of the leading members of the Politbureau, sufficiently illustrating this attitude.

The policy of encouraging and assisting attacks on British interests in China was openly avowed by M. Karakhan, late Soviet Ambassador to Peking, in a speech at Vladivostok.

The Soviet Press.

The hostile character of the contents of the Soviet Press is also notorious. Disregarding other organs it is pointed out that the *Zvezda* is the official organ of the Central Executive Committee of the Soviet Union and the Soviet Government are therefore directly responsible for what appears in it. In appendices to the Note are reproduced leading articles and manifestoes addressed to British Communists which have appeared in *Zvezda* supporting the strike movements of last year in Great Britain and also articles on alleged British machinations in Persia. Mention is also made of the grossly insulting and mendacious cartoon on the front page issue of December 20th depicting Sir Austen Chamberlain as applauding the execution of Lithuanian Communists.

The Note concludes "In recording this deplorable attitude of the Soviet leaders His Majesty's Government have no intention of entering on a controversy with them. Publicly recorded speeches and articles in official organs are incontrovertible facts, about which no argument is possible. Nor can the Soviet Government be under any illusion that their sentiments have passed unnoticed in this country. Not only have they been reported in the daily press but from time to time men of authority have been compelled to give expression to their indignation inspired by the open hostility of the Soviet Government to the British Empire and their public attacks on British interests. To embody these complaints in a formal Note of protest might in the circumstances seem superfluous. But it is right there should be no misconception in Russia or elsewhere as to the attitude of the British Government in the matter. The toleration they have shown to Soviet agents and citizens is not to be confounded with ignorance of their designs. His Majesty's Government have persistently striven for the promotion of world peace.

Grievous Injuries to British Interests.

In the foregoing account of grievous injuries to British interests, committed by or through the agency of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, they have drawn only upon sources of information already open to the whole world. This limited it is still sufficient to show what patience and forbearance in face of repeated and almost unendurable provocation have been shown by His Majesty's Government in their desire to avoid any action which might still further embitter public feeling on either side or add to the anxieties of other nations. His Majesty's Government are not concerned with the internal affairs of Russia nor with its form of Government. All they require is that that government should refrain from interference with purely British concerns and abstain from hostile action or propaganda against British subjects. But they consider it necessary to warn the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics in the gravest terms that there are limits beyond which it is dangerous to drive public opinion in this country and that the continuance of such acts as are here complained of must sooner or later make inevitable the abrogation of the trade agreement, the stipulations of which have been so flagrantly violated and even the severance of ordinary diplomatic relations. His Majesty's Government trust that this protest and warning will be received by the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics with the attention which they require and that no further cause of complaint may be given.

CINEMA NOTES AND NEWS.

"THE WAGES OF VIRTUE"
AT THE QUEEN'S.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"The Wages of Virtue" which is showing to-day and to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre is a curious picture. There is so much excellent material, Gloria Swanson, Naples, Algiers and the famous Foreign Legion that one feels it might be a more memorable film than it is. It is difficult to know exactly where the fault in direction lies, the film is interesting, and at moments powerful and dramatic and Gloria is lively and beautiful. Yet one does not leave the theatre feeling one has seen a great play. It is certainly a film worth seeing if only for the scenes in the Cabaret of Algiers. Carmelita the Neapolitan is proprietress of the Cabaret and "Little Mother" of the Legion, and as Gloria Swanson plays the part it is quite credible that she should exert that fascination over those wild and bitter spirits which made them respect her as much as they loved her. These cabaret scenes have seldom been equally on the screen for faithfulness of representation and skill of stage craft. There are some 30 or more of the legionaries, men of all nationalities and ages, all with the stamp which brands a member of that force; and Carmelita, lovely, daring, gamine, as essentially innocent as a child, despite her life and her companions. The contrast alone is the essence of a remarkable picture.

What's wrong then? Possibly the fact that although it is an emotional theme Carmelita is always a child never a woman; possibly that there are really two heroes, and Marvin though he wins Carmelita in the end is not so heroic or charming a figure as the English gentleman John Boule. Also one cannot help feeling how much the atmosphere of Naples and Algiers might have strengthened the dramatic and emotional appeal of the picture, had they been used part of the story rather than as an unessential background.

THE WAR FILM OF BRITISH AIRMEN.

PLAN TO SCREEN THE EPIC
OF THE FLYING FORCE.

If negotiations now proceeding are successful a start will be made in a few weeks' time on what many will regard as one of the most vivid national films yet produced. It is to deal with the part played by the flying men during the war.

No scenario has yet been adopted, and no particular firm has been given the contract, but everything is ready for the authorisation of the Air Ministry, which it is understood, will not be long delayed. There is an abundance of material of the most exciting kind. The probability is that in the space of two or three hours a history will be given on the screen of what was done by British flying men from the time in 1914, when they numbered a mere handful and flew hazardous machines of various types, to the period at the end of the war when they were ten of thousands strong, with a definite supremacy over all.

Particularly dramatic will be the stories of the many V.C.s, but equally appealing will be the screen story of the departure for the war area of the old flying machines. They represented the first national force that ever flew to war overseas.

The producers may have difficulty in dealing with some of the historic incidents, owing to the fact that most of the machines in use during the war have been scrapped, but this difficulty should be overcome satisfactorily.

SIR HARRY LAUDER.

TO ACT IN NEW BRITISH FILM.

Sir Harry Lauder has arranged to take a principal part in a film to be made in Great Britain this year based on Mr. John Buchan's adventure novel "Huntingtower."

Sir Harry will play the elderly Scot who suddenly goes knight-errant in company with a young man and some undoubted "Boy Scouts."

Sir Harry's engagement for this film should ensure a market for the picture in America more favourable than could have been secured by the engagement of any American film star.

ANOTHER MEMBER FOR WAIFS' CLUB.

MAGISTRATE'S LENIENCY TO YOUNG OFFENDER.

Another member was drafted into the Waifs' Club, when a 12-year-old boy was charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday morning, with the larceny of a spark plug from a motor-cycle belonging to Mr. George Lee.

Defendant denied the offence and said that he was forced to carry the plug by an older boy who committed the theft. Defendant also said that his parents were dead and that he slept in the streets.

His Worship ordered the defendant to be sent to the Waifs' Club where he hoped he will reform and become a useful citizen.



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This achievement is the most notable seeing that it has been stated repeatedly that English seed firms could not successfully compete with their Continental rivals in raising this type of seed.

Figures showing the progress of the English sugar beet industry (Continued at foot of next column.)

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were placed before the Council of Agriculture for England at the Middlesex Guildhall by the Minister of Agriculture, Colonel Walter Guinness, M.P., who said:

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CHINESE WHO JUMPED OUT
OF WINDOW.

PRISONER'S STORY OF
ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.

"When Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co. was burgled the last time, I was locked up for twenty-four hours by Inspector Murphy, and now, after arresting a burglar, I am again in trouble," said Kunda Singh, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. W. Schofield. Kunda Singh, formerly a watchman in the employ of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co., was charged with enticing, on January 8th, a Chinese boy, aged 16, to his room and assaulting him. He was also charged with causing the boy to fall from the window.

Witness For Defence.

"Ranjit Singh, called by defendant, said that he was a Police Guard on the s.s. Tai Lee.

Story Of Attempted Burglary.

On the night in question, defendant came to visit him and at 9.30, they went to defendant's quarters. Another man, Kher Singh, was with them. During the course of the evening they heard a sound like a window being broken. Defendant got up opened the window and saw a Chinese.

His Worship: How could you know what the defendant saw? Witness: He shouted "Who's there?" in Chinese.

Continuing, witness said they saw a Chinese clinging to the window hook, his legs were dangling in the air, and in his other hand he held what looked like a dagger. They shouted, and the boy let go and fell to the ground. As they rushed down, defendant blowing his Police whistle, they saw two other Chinese, who had hidden behind a ricksha running away.

Cross-examined by Inspector Murphy, witness said that he had never visited defendant's house prior to the night in question.

Inspector Murphy: You were frequently in defendant's company before this happened?—No.

Inspector Murphy: Do you remember December 26, when you met me in Shelley Street? Witness: Yes, standing there with the defendant?—No. I was walking and he was standing alone.

Inspector Murphy: But you went to the Central Police Station with the defendant on that day?—Yes.

Only Smelt Of Liquor.

Inspector Murphy: Did you have any drink with the defendant that night?—No, but I had some before he came to my shop.

Inspector Murphy: Who were you drinking with?—Kher Singh, Kapoor Singh and myself.

Inspector Murphy: What did you drink?—Rhum.

Inspector Murphy: Did you drink excessively that night?—No.

Inspector Murphy: Were you drunk when you came up to the Police Station that night?—I only smelt of liquor, but I was not drunk.

Manager's Nervous Breakdown.

Mr. O. A. Smith, Manager of Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co., said that on returning to his residence at No. 30, Humphrey's Building, at about 11.30 on the night in question, he noticed a confusion on the stairs. The defendant and several others were there. He was told by the defendant that another attempt at burglary had been made on the stores. What happened during the following half hour, witness said he could not remember, as he had a nervous breakdown. "All I can remember was that I said something about 'Oh, God can't they leave me alone,' and I also said something about 'Taking me down below,'" said Mr. Smith.

Continuing, Mr. Smith said that some of his friends rang up the Police Station and a message was received later that everything was right. Witness went to bed and about two or three minutes later one of his assistants rang him up and told him that a window in the bath room of the stores had been broken and requested witness to go over to Hong Kong with the keys. Witness went over in a motor boat with Mr. D. C. Logan. He examined the premises and then returned home.

In answer to Inspector Murphy, witness said that the window, in his opinion, had been broken from the outside, and that apart from the glass protection on the window, there was a strong wire mesh on the inside.

Defendant Cross-Examined.

The next witness called was an Indian constable who testified to going to the scene of the accident in response to a Police whistle. He

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CHINESE POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANKS.

ANNUAL REPORT.

PROGRESS FULLY MAINTAINED.

The report of the Chinese Post Office Savings Bank for 1925 shows that in the period under review, the seventh working year since the inauguration of the Bank—progress has been fully maintained.

Deposits—in big dollars—during 1925 amounted to \$7,669,233.05—an increase of 30 per cent. over 1924, and withdrawals to \$6,123,997.07—an increase of 13 per cent. over 1924, while the amount due to depositors grew from \$4,350,690.38 to \$6,465,148.75—an increase of 39 per cent. over 1924. The number of depositors increased from 32,458 to 42,922.

Kwangtung small coin currency deposits have also increased, the figures being \$1,369,440.12, as against \$1,361,603.21 in 1924, while the amount withdrawn was \$1,277,924.18, as compared with \$1,044,410.88 in 1924; the total amount due to depositors at the end of the year was \$1,602,472.89, as against \$1,455,104.48 in 1924—an increase of \$148,568.41—or 10 per cent. The number of depositors (in small coin currency) increased from 8,607 to 9,343.

During the year one Savings Bank was opened and one closed, the number of Offices open at the end of the year thus remaining at 340.

lifted the boy up and asked him what had happened and was told that he (the boy) had fallen from a window. Some time later defendant came down.

Defendant asked witness if he had seen him that night in Queen's Road Central. Witness replied no.

Defendant: Do you know who blew the Police whistle?

Witness: How could I know when I was not there to see who blew it?

Defendant: Did I make any report to you?—Nobody had reported anything to me.

Defendant: Did I not tell you that the boy was a thief and that two of his confederates had run away?—You told me nothing.

Where Is My Witness?

Defendant at this stage told the Court that he had another witness, but he did not know where the man had gone to.

Inspector Murphy: He is outside, your Worship.

Kher Singh, when called corroborated the evidence of the last witness, but denied having had any intoxicants on the night in question.

This concluded the case and his Worship said that he would dismiss the charge of causing the boy to fall from the window as there was no evidence to show that defendant had actually caused the boy to fall.

With regard to the charge of assault after enticing the boy into the room against his will, his Worship said that he would convict.

Heavy Sentence Asked.

Inspector Murphy, in pressing for a heavy punishment, said that there was no doubt that after the defendant had got the boy into his room, he made certain overtures which the boy resented, and then tried to escape by jumping from the window. Practices of this kind were not unknown in defendant's quarters in the past, but on this occasion defendant enticed the wrong boy—a lad from a respectable family. Luckily for the defendant, the boy had not died, otherwise the charge would have been entirely different.

Prisoner Addresses Court.

Addressing the Court, defendant said that he had seen service in the Army and could produce satisfactory discharges. He was also employed in a Government School at Hong Kong, and had been in the Hong Kong Police Force. He could also produce good testimonials to show that he had never done anything against the Government. Since his arrest the Police had detained his luggage and left him with only one suit to wear.

Always In Trouble.

Concluding, defendant said that he really did not know why the Police should always fall on him. "When Whiteaway, Laidlaw was burgled the last time, I was locked up by Inspector Murphy for 24 hours, and now when I arrested a thief, I am again in trouble." I also arrested two Chinese in 1925 just outside the Central Fire Brigade and the men got two weeks' imprisonment.

Previous Convictions.

Inspector Murphy said that defendant on a previous occasion had been fined \$5 for assault, and that he was dismissed from the Police Force for violating the rules. Long ago he had also been fined \$75 for alleged assault.

A Lenient Sentence.

In sentencing the defendant to four months' hard labour without the option of a fine, his Worship said that he took into his consideration that defendant had been a soldier and that he was responsible for bringing two Chinese to justice in 1925.

TROUBLESOME CIRCUS FAMILY.

PASSPORTS WITHOUT VISAS.

TO LEAVE COLONY IN
FORTNIGHT.

John and Steve Floris, circus performers, who are charged with being in the Colony without proper passports appeared on remand before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. T. H. King (Director of Criminal Intelligence) prosecuted, and the defendants were represented by Mr. F. G. Vaux.

Mr. Vaux submitted that the case was one of presumption only. The Police contended that the defendants had arrived in the Colony without passports, but it was a case of presumption until proved. The passports could not be produced at the time, but had since arrived here. Presumption was therefore rebutted.

Major Willson: I think that a conviction is necessary in the circumstances. It is certainly a breach of the regulations.

Mr. King: The question is whether the passports are valid.

Canton Impossible For Business. Mr. Vaux: I am informed that they applied to the British Consul-General for a visa for Hong Kong, but were told that one was not necessary.

His Worship: I will make an order, but it can stay in abeyance.

Three Generations.

Mr. Vaux said that he would have to ask for time. The party comprised some fifteen members—three generations of one family—and they wished to go to a place where they could all give a show together.

His Worship: How long do you want?—Two months.

His Worship: You ask me to let them stay here for two months without passports?—Oh, they have passports now.

Mr. King: Yes, passports without visas. Their passports expired long ago and for reasons best known to themselves they did not get their passports put in order.

Mr. Vaux said that as far as he could see, when they found Canton to be so disturbed as to make a circus impossible, they decided to come to Hong Kong. If they had to leave the Colony within three days, they would all lose a good deal of money.

Fourteen Days Grace.

Major Willson: Can they settle matters within two weeks?

Mr. Vaux: It will be difficult.

Mr. King said that he would raise no objection to the granting of fourteen days provided Mr. Vaux assure him that they really would leave the Colony by that date.

His Worship: You must expect circus proprietors to make proper arrangements. An order is made for their expulsion from the Colony, but the order will be suspended for fourteen days. I will inflict no penalty in the case.

THIS EVENING'S RECITAL.

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MR. R. BALDWIN'S ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME.

This evening, at 8.45, will be given the second of the series of organ recitals arranged to raise funds towards meeting the debt incurred on the reconstructed organ at St. John's Cathedral.

This evening's recital will be given by Mr. Rupert Baldwin, A.T.C.L., the well known organist and choirmaster at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

He has arranged a very attractive programme, of which should appeal to all music lovers.

The programme will be as under:

1.—Prelude in C Minor (Guilmant)

An interesting movement, from the Composer's third Sonata.

2.—Trauerfeier (Schumann)

This beautiful melody, which is ever fresh, is too well known to require comment.

3.—(a) Impromptu, No. 2 (Coleridge-Taylor)

(b) Idyll (Schumann)

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The two pieces to be played this evening are at once graceful and melodious.

4.—Prelude and Fugue in E Minor (Bach)

The immortal John Sebastian Bach was himself a renowned performer on the organ, and is one of the few great composers who has embodied his grandest thoughts in music written for that instrument.

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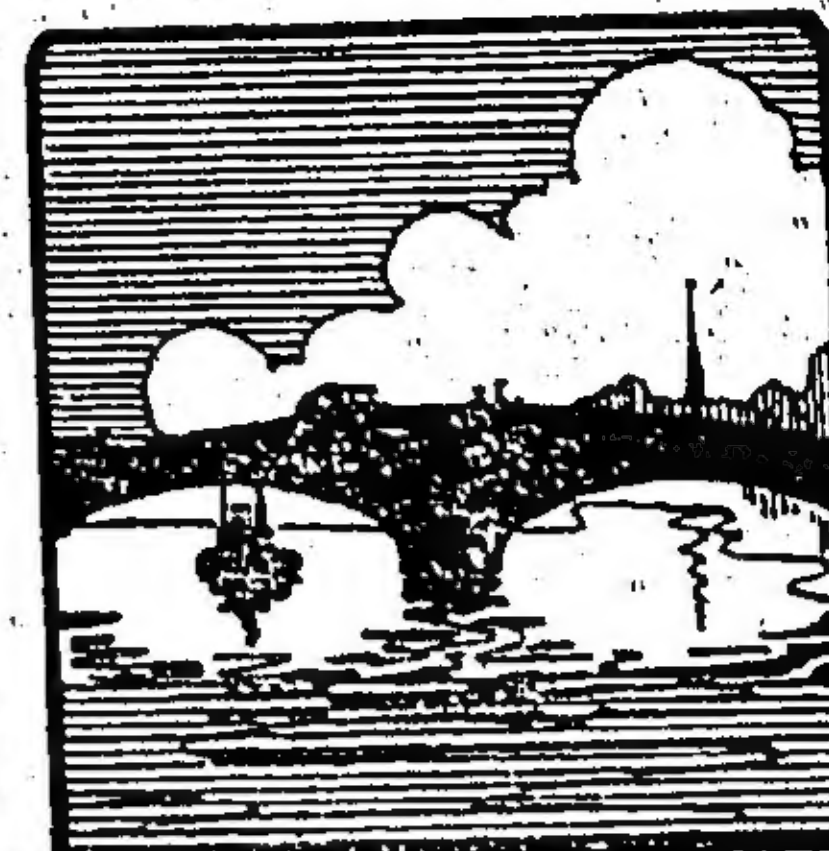
(b) "At an old trysting place" (Macdowell)

(c) "A.D. 1629" (Macdowell)

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DURING THE PAST WEEK THE HANKOW AGREEMENT HAS BEEN SIGNED AND A GENERAL STRIKE HAS BEEN DECLARED IN SHANGHAI.

Judging from the cables, there is an impression at Home that the Hankow agreement has settled all outstanding differences between China and Great Britain.

The details given in the HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS, published To-day, will show that there is still a strong undercurrent of unrest and that labour extremists in all parts of the Country are bent on creating trouble.

British troops are now arriving in China and for some months to come it may be expected that the normal life of this Colony will be profoundly affected.

Former Residents of Hong Kong and merchants having trade associations with the Far East will all desire to follow developments.

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"SUNNING'S" FEAR- STRICKEN CREW.

POSITION OF BULLET WOUND.

CASE AGAIN ADJOURNED.

The value, as evidence, of the nature of a bullet wound, was considered by the Bench yesterday morning at the resumed hearing of the case against the two remaining suspects in connection with the Sunning piracy.

The first of the two men was admitted into the Government Civil Hospital in a dying condition from a deep bullet wound in the left shoulder, but made an unexpected recovery, according to the evidence of Dr. Patterson, the Surgeon in charge of the Hospital.

Dr. Patterson was called by Mr. T. H. King, Director of Criminal Intelligence, this morning to rebut the statement made by the wounded man that he received his injuries from a pirate who was actuated by venal motives. Witness deposed that the wound was a frontal one, and its sloping position, in the shoulder indicated that the bullet must have been fired from above and slightly in front.

The prosecution thereupon submitted that the man was shot from

ARRIVING IN HONG KONG.

PASSENGERS ON THE
"EMPERESS OF ASIA."

Among the passengers who disembarked here yesterday from the R.M.S. *Empress of Asia*, which arrived in port from the North about mid-day, were the following: Mr. F. C. Jenkin, local barrister; Mr. G. Hogg; Mr. and Mrs. Fisher; Mr. H. M. Patterly, Chief Assistant Freight Department, C.P.R., Hong Kong; Professor Faas, of the McGill University; and Mr. Wood Din Hsin, Peking, special commissioner to education. There also arrived Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Henderson. Mr. Henderson is the passenger agent in Hong Kong for the C.P.R., and has just returned from leave in Canada. While at home in Toronto he was married, and had brought his wife back with him.

Another interesting passenger was Mr. St. Nihal Singh, a well-known Indian writer, who is accompanied by his wife. Mr. St. Nihal Singh was in Hong Kong about twenty years ago.

the bridge while standing upright or in a crouching position. Other questions put to witness were in substantiation of this point, and the case was then adjourned.

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SUNNING RAILWAY.TO BE TAKEN OVER BY
FORCE.A COURAGEOUS CANTON
MERCHANT.FREIGHT INCREASE BETWEEN
CANTON AND WUCHOW.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The workers in Canton are laughing at the threat of the merchants to suspend trade as a protest against the interference with their right to engage or dismiss assistants at will. The extremists labour unions still insist that employers shall only "hire or fire" employees in accordance with union rules.

Some merchants, however, are apparently not as timid as the followers of the Communist Party make them out to be. and I was informed that the manager of at least one large fancy goods store was courageous enough to display a notice in his establishment, for the information of his employees, that no good purpose was to be served in holding up the ordinary machinery of schools, work-shops and business houses simply to demonstrate to a group of members of the Third International visiting Canton how glad members of the Kuomintang were to see them. This manager, who happens to have been abroad in America and Europe, took occasion to remind his employees that the American, British and French delegates, would never have dared to have cursed their own countries at meetings at Home in the way they had done since their arrival in Canton. Unfortunately my informant could not tell me what had become of the manager who took this stand.

Kuomintang Press Agency reports state that the troops of Tschun Tang Chi Yao have mutinied. Bolshevik agents have been promoting disaffection in their ranks for some time.

Mr. Chan Yee Hee, managing-director of the Sunning Railway, and his staff, have been warned by labour pickets that further opposition to the Kuomintang order temporarily taking the line into Party ownership, will be put down by force of arms. It is understood that Mr. Sun Fo, in his capacity as Commissioner of Reconstruction, has ordered a detail of the 13th Division to support the Kuomintang agents possessing a warrant to assume the management of the line until further notice. The line connects Kungmoon and several important towns in the Szeay districts and was built with capital raised chiefly by Chinese in America.

The freight tariff on Wuchow-Canton steamers has recently been increased by 40 per cent. Ten per cent. will go to the military commander at Wuchow, who says that he requires some money for educational work among poor children.

More than 3,000 knitting workers in the Southern Capital are now idle as a result of the closing down of many small factories in Canton and its suburbs. Since the Chinese New Year, nearly a hundred such factories for socks and shirts have been closed, partly on account of the high cost of raw materials and partly because of labour tyranny. In addition to their local trade, these factories used to enjoy a business of between \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 annually with Indo-China and the Straits. The unemployed are mostly women and girls.

CARGO BOAT PIRATED.

SWEET POTATOES AND PERSONAL EFFECTS STOLEN.

Bound for Shaukiwan with a load of sweet potatoes, a small cargo boat was pirated near Kin Mun in Chinese waters, by a Hoklo boat.

The pirates removed the cargo, personal effects and money of the crew, into their own boat and sailed away. Later, a passing fishing junk took the pirated craft in tow and brought her back to Shaukiwan.

"MEN'S NATURAL INCLINATION."DISORGANISING BRITISH
TRADE IN SWATOW.A PROTEST THROUGH THE
CONSUL.

CANTON'S REPLY.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Swatow, Feb. 25th.

I have referred several times in my Swatow notes to the illegal activities of various unofficial (so-called) bodies constituted for the purpose of continuing the boycott against British trade and shipping.

Since November 15th last, when the renewed boycotting began, the Boycott Extension Committee has been fairly successful, by means of threatening dealers with violence and confiscation of goods, in reducing the importation and consumption of British goods other than oil. The Union of Employees of Chartered Shippers and Consignees and the Union of Employees of Brokers were successful in completely disorganising the northern charter trading in British vessels. In both cases the most flagrant intimidation was carried on; printed notices were issued to dealers and charterers, and in case of the former a stocktaking return of all British goods held at November 15th was demanded and obtained.

This movement, openly defiant of the declared policy of the Canton Government, was carried on under the eyes of local officials who were frequently informed of the operations of the gangs concerned.

Finding no assistance forthcoming from the local authorities, and indeed expecting none, the Swatow British Chamber of Commerce requested, through the usual Consular channels, that the Canton Government keep its word and suppress these objectionable activities.

Canton's reply recently came through, communicated by the Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs. It is such a complete evasion of the issue and so highly "Eugenic" in form and style that one wonders whether Swatow's little troubles have been considered by the "great man" himself in Hankow or whether some deputy or other in Canton has been sitting at the feet of the modern Chinese Gamaliel. On the other hand the whole affair may be one of those delightful diplomatic "wangles" in which the Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs will get to work deep down (very deep we fancy) below the surface and try to suppress the activities complained of the while he keeps his head on his shoulders by maintaining a firm anti-British attitude on paper. However, an extract from the reply mentioned will serve to acquaint the public with the kind of rubbish which Canton really can turn out when it tries.

It is pointed out that the transaction of business lies within the province of individual personal liberty. If restriction of consumption of British goods is not caused by intimidation then the Government cannot forcibly intervene.

"The present unfortunate attitude of Chinese and British subjects towards each other is greatly regretted but it is felt that the real reason can only be traced to conflict between China's democracy and Britain's imperialism, a cessation of which can alone eradicate the present trouble. Merely strictly to restrict men's natural inclinations cannot prove efficacious."

Mark the last sentence and the expression "men's natural inclinations." The stoppage of the carrying trade from the North in British vessels was brought about by a conflict of the "natural inclinations" referred to. Merchants and charterers were clamouring for British vessels but the "natural inclinations" of the Employees' Unions concerned lay in the direction of our old and tried friend, the dollar. They offered to withdraw the boycott if the British shipping firms or their Chinese assistants would pay some thousands of dollars into the Union funds.

But, of course, the Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs could scarcely be expected to know that "men's natural inclinations" usually do conflict with Unions in Swatow, even though we had told him so.

THE JULY STORM.REPAIR WORK STILL TO
BE DONE.ESTIMATED COST OF \$313,000
THIS YEAR.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon a paper will be laid upon the table giving some account of the storm on July, 1926, and the details of the damage done. The cost of repairing the whole of the damage will be \$988,015. Of this amount \$674,415 was spent in 1926, leaving \$313,600 to cover the cost of the work to be done during the present year.

Work Still To Be Done. The repair work still to be done includes the rebuilding of the servants' quarters at the Peak Hospital with the necessary repairs to the bank.

Fifteen roads and paths still require attention, of which the new road from Conduit Road to Robinson Road is the most costly work entailing an estimated cost of \$13,000.

As far as drainage work is concerned the restoration of the Albany Nullah and its tributaries is the only work of magnitude that has still to be undertaken. The estimated cost-inclusive of some minor work is \$150,000.

Dangerous boulders have yet to be removed from near the Pumping Station at Pokfulam Road and in Shauiwan Village. A sum of \$6,000 is estimated as necessary to re-estate the retaining walls to Queen's College site at Caroline Hill.

For the reconstruction of the damaged portion of the Pumping Station at Pokfulam Road and the No. 3 Pump, with permanent repairs to roads and mains outside the Station, a sum of \$80,000 is estimated to be required, and for the reparation work to the Stanley Mound East and Taitam West Catchwaters a further sum of \$10,000 is required.

Kowloon And New Territory. The completion of the outstanding portion of the reparation work to roads in Kowloon may entail the sum of \$10,000. The clearance of sand from four nullahs may involve a sum of \$3,500.

In New Kowloon a sum of \$5,000 is necessary to bring the reparation work to a conclusion. To complete the repairs to the Lighthouse at Gap Rock an estimated expenditure of \$1,900 is required. A sum of \$2,100 is the anticipated amount required to complete the outstanding portion of the work on roads in the New Territories.

A WAITER'S DEBTS.ONLY OFFERS A DOLLAR A
MONTH.INSISTS ON FULL LEGAL
FORMALITIES.

An interesting and somewhat unusual case was heard by Mr. J. H. B. Nichol, acting Puisne Judge, at the Summary Court yesterday morning, the defendant taking the line that although he owed a debt, he would not admit it until the plaintiff had proved his case in the Court.

The plaintiff in the case was Mak Nam, a cook-boy, employed by Dr. Meanley, of Mount Davis, and he sued Mak Ling, a waiter at the Alexandra Café, for \$248.82 being money due in respect of a Chinese "borrowing note" or alternatively, as money lent, with interest.

Mr. A. E. Hall appeared for the plaintiff, and defendant was not represented.

When shown the borrowing note in Court, defendant admitted it. He also agreed to judgment.

The defendant, who appeared in Court with a smile on his face, said that the most he could pay was one or two dollars a month, stating that his salary was only \$14 a month.

When asked by his Lordship about his tips, the defendant replied it all depended on the generosity of customers. The tips worked out at about five or ten cents per boy per day. His monthly tips amounted to approximately \$2.

Defendant further admitted being interested in a compradors company in Jubilee Street to the extent of \$40 invested in it. He said he received interest of about \$9 or \$10 per year.

Mr. Hall: Good profits. His Honour: Very good. Mr. Hall said the plaintiff would be satisfied with \$10 or \$12 per month, but the defendant said that all he could manage was one or two dollars. After commenting that it would take years to pay off the debt on that arrangement, he suggested that the parties be allowed to try to come to an agreement.

His Lordship accordingly gave judgment against the defendant for the sum claimed and interest with costs, with a personal stay of execution, and liberty to both parties to apply for leave to issue personal execution on for instalments.

**POSSESSION OF
PIRATED JUNK.**SUCCESSFUL SUBMISSION
BY DEFENCE.THE POWERS OF THE POLICE
CRITICISED.NO CASE FOR THE JURY TO
CONSIDER.

The case in which it was alleged that a junk, licensed in Hong Kong, was taken from the rightful owner outside the waters of the Colony by armed men, but was subsequently recognised at Tai O by the owner, was concluded at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon, when His Lordship the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice, J. R. Wood, directed the jury to return a verdict of "Not Guilty" in respect of the prisoner, who was then discharged.

The prisoner, a Chinese, was charged with unlawful possession of the junk, knowing it to have been stolen. After being detained by the police prisoner said he bought the junk not knowing it to have been stolen, and produced an apparently genuine document, which, he said, was given him by the man from whom he bought it.

At yesterday morning's hearing the powers of the police to ask questions of a man before charging him and of keeping him locked up before the charge had been made were criticised by Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy who appeared for the defence.

The Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C. (Attorney-General) was for the Crown.

Mr. Fitzroy objected to questions being asked as to what the prisoner said when he was questioned by a Police Sergeant, but his objections were over-ruled by His Lordship.

Numbers On Boats. Sergt. H. Griffin said he was in charge of Tai O Police Station on January 11th, when, at about noon, the matter was reported to him. He visited the junk and noticed two numbers which had been painted over.

His Lordship: Whose duty is it to paint these numbers on junks. Do the police do it?

Witness: The police boatmen. His Lordship: Why did they not paint the number in when the licence was taken out at Cheung Chau by the prisoner?

Witness: It appears the junk left before it could be done. He added that he could make out the original number 3835 H.A. which was a Hong Kong number. The "H" meant the junk had a fishing licence, and the "A" meant Aberdeen. The licence which was taken out by the prisoner bore the letter "T", which meant trading.

Sir Joseph Kemp then informed His Lordship that he proposed to ask the constable what he asked the prisoner when making enquiries and what the prisoner's replies were.

Questioning Of Prisoners. Mr. Fitzroy objected to such questions, and referred to authorities supporting his contention, in one of which it was held that a policeman should not discourage a statement, but he should not encourage one.

His Lordship said he was inclined to be against Mr. Fitzroy in view of the peculiar circumstances of the case. The constable was only pursuing enquiries in the ordinary course of his duty and had not a definite charge at the time.

His Lordship then asked witness if the prisoner was put into a cell before he was asked questions; and witness replied in the negative.

Mr. Fitzroy remarked that the policeman took the man away in custody. The moment a police officer took a man to another place, he was in custody. There could be no question of that.

His Lordship said he would permit the questions being asked, and, addressing the Attorney General, intimated that he would like to hear the interpreter on the matter, before the witness. Sir Joseph Kemp said he would do this, and called the interpreter.

The interpreter said he interpreted for Sergt. Griffin. He asked the prisoner where he obtained the junk, but he (witness) could not remember the reply, or further questions that he asked.

12. Apply to Mr. Fitzroy witness said prisoner answered the questions without hesitation and did not object.

Sergeant Recalled. Sergt. Griffin was re-called, and, in reply to Sir Joseph Kemp, said he asked the prisoner, through the previous witness, where he obtained the junk. The prisoner replied that it had been in the family for years, and when his father died nine years ago, his brother used it for five or six years.

Cross-examined by Mr. Fitzroy, witness said the prisoner never produced document, which he said was given to him by the man from whom he bought the junk. Witness, was in uniform when he boarded the junk.

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FREE VACCINATION.

Y.M.C.A. HEALTH WEEK.

ST. JOHN'S BRIGADE TO THE
FORE.

Hong Kong's "red cross" men have been again doing extremely good work for the Colony.

From February 3rd to 13th, nearly 900 persons were vaccinated by the "Chinese Y.M.C.A. division" of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, at the request of the kai fong (i.e., elders of the community) as follows:—

Aberdeen village, 335.
Cheung Chau Island, 630.
Total 965.

During the local "Health Week" (February 21st to 28th) vaccinations are being carried out at the entrance to the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Bridges Street.

On the first three days of this week, the average was about 300 persons per day, making a total of over 900 persons on the evenings of Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

No fee is being charged by the Brigade.

Mr. Fitzroy: It was quite possible that these people on the junk could consider themselves under arrest!—No, I don't think so. Did you take them to the Police Station without arresting or charging them?—Yes.

That is a common occurrence is it?—Not common.

How often is it done; about a dozen times?—Yes, somewhere about that. Witness added that, after questioning the prisoner, the latter was locked up without any charge being made, and the complainant was sent for.

Police Powers Of Detention.

You locked this man up and gave him no chance of being released on bail or anything. Why did you lock him up?—Because I detained him for further enquiries.

Is that your usual custom?—Yes. How long do you lock them up for?—One or two days.

Three or four days?—No; you can only detain a man for forty-eight hours.

His Lordship remarked that he thought there was such power under the Magistrates' Ordinance, and Mr. Fitzroy agreed.

In reply to further questions, witness said on the following morning an identification parade was held at the Water Police Station, but the complainant, his wife, and son, failed to pick out anybody. When the prisoner was put in the cell, he was told that the junk had been pirated, and the complainant had recognised it as his property.

No Case For Jury.

In the afternoon, Mr. Fitzroy submitted to His Lordship that there was no case to go before the jury under Subsection 2 of Section 80 of Ordinance No. 65, which reads:—"For the purpose of this section property shall be deemed to have been stolen where it has been taken, extorted, obtained, embezzled, converted, or disposed of in such circumstances that, if the act had been committed in the Colony, the person committing it would have been guilty of an indictable offence, according to the law for the time being in force in the Colony."

Referring to the prisoner's arrival in Hong Kong, Mr. Fitzroy said that the reason the man did not say anything about the case was because the Chinese authorities who looked after the salt smuggling had already imposed a fine. If the man had had guilty knowledge, surely he would have kept away from British Territory. He, however, went to Cheung Chau and openly stated that it was his boat, and applied for a trading licence, which was granted. He sailed away before the licence number had been painted on. When he was detained by the police, prisoner undoubtedly told a deliberate lie, the natural action of a person who hoped that he would be let go on the strength of it. The man, however, did not stick to that story when he was charged, and said quite frankly, "I bought the boat, but did not know it had been stolen."

Mr. Fitzroy asked if the prosecution had looked into the matter by sending agents into China, remarking that the place where the junk had been sold was only four hours away from Macao. They could then have satisfied themselves on the "innocence" or not.

His Lordship replied that there was no obligation on the Crown to investigate in China.

Continuing, Mr. Fitzroy submitted that there was no proof of any larceny at all. There was no reasonable evidence on which the prisoner could be found guilty. There was no case for the jury to find on.

The Attorney General having replied His Lordship referred to the Ordinance quoted, and directed the jury to return a verdict of "Not Guilty," which was done in accordance with His Lordship's direction, and the prisoner was discharged.

Mr. Fitzroy asked whether His Lordship would make an order for the return of the junk to the prisoner.

His Lordship replied that he did not propose to make such an order.

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By Order of the Committee,
A. NISIM,
Secretary,
Hong Kong, 24th February, 1927. [4502]

BOY SCOUTS' ASSOCIATION, HONG KONG BRANCH.

A CAMP-FIRE SING-SONG WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY NEXT, 26th FEB., AT THE SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE, 21, PRAYA EAST, COMMENCING AT 7.45 P.M.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

PUBLIC AUCTION

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

Situate at Victoria, Hong Kong, and known as SECTION D OF MARINE LOT No. 227. Together with the Messuages known as No. 122, WING LUK STREET erected thereon.
Area: 1,087 Square Feet. Proportion of Annual Crown Rent: \$18.70.
To be sold in ONE LOT.

PUBLIC AUCTION

FRIDAY, THE 17th DAY OF MARCH, 1927, AT 3 O'CLOCK P.M., AT THE CHINA AUCTION ROOMS, DUNDRELL STREET, VICTORIA, HONG KONG, BY MR. E. V. M. DE SOUSA, Auctioneer.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, Apply to:—
Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Pavane's Building, Hong Kong, or to
Mr. E. V. M. DE SOUSA, The Auctioneer,
Hong Kong, 25th day of February, 1927. [4501]

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES

Situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong and registered at the Land Office respectively as the REMAINING PORTION OF INLAND LOT No. 431 and the REMAINING PORTION OF MARINE LOT No. 117. Together with the Messuages or tenements and other Erections and Buildings thereon respectively known as Nos. 14, 16, 18, 20 and 22, TAI WO STREET.

IN ONE LOT

By MR. E. V. M. DE SOUSA, Auctioneer, AT THE CHINA AUCTION ROOMS, No. 4 DUNDRELL STREET, HONG KONG, ON FRIDAY, THE 25th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1927, AT 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, Apply to:—
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27, GORDON STREET, CHATER ROAD, or to:—
Mr. E. V. M. DE SOUSA, Auctioneer,
No. 4, DUNDRELL STREET, Hong Kong, 24th day of February, 1927. [4505]

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES will be held at VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on THURSDAY, 10th MARCH, 1927.

ENTRIES will DEFINITELY CLOSE at 1 P.M. on MONDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1927, at the Hon. Secretary's Office. SCHEDULES HAVE BEEN SENT TO ALL MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.

MEMBERS who have NOT yet PAID their SUBSCRIPTION and ALL THOSE who WISH to JOIN the SOCIETY are Requested to SEND \$5 IMMEDIATELY to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. B. O. HORNELL, c/o Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., Hong Kong, 24th February, 1927. [4507]

INTIMATIONS.

RACE HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS WILL OPEN for the TRANSACTION of PUBLIC BUSINESS at 9.30 A.M. on MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 28th FEBRUARY, 1st and 2nd MARCH, and CLOSE at 12 Noon, Hong Kong, 23rd February, 1927. [4508]

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

PUBLIC AUCTION

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

Situate at Victoria, Hong Kong, and known as SECTION C OF INLAND LOT No. 1274. Together with the Messuages, Erections and Buildings known as Nos. 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15 and 17, SAI YUEN LANE erected thereon.

Area: 7,601 Square Feet. Proportion of Annual Crown Rent: \$62.20. To be sold in THREE LOTS.
Lot 1—Nos. 5, 7 and 9, SAI YUEN LANE situate on portion of SECTION C OF INLAND LOT No. 1274.
Lot 2—Nos. 11 and 13, SAI YUEN LANE situate on another portion of SECTION C OF INLAND LOT No. 1274.
Lot 3—Nos. 15 and 17, SAI YUEN LANE situate on the Remaining portion of SECTION C OF INLAND LOT No. 1274.

To be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION

THURSDAY, THE 23rd DAY OF MARCH, 1927, AT 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

AT THEIR SALES ROOM, DUNDRELL STREET, VICTORIA, HONG KONG, BY MR. E. V. M. DE SOUSA, Auctioneer.

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Pavane's Building, Hong Kong, or to
Mr. E. V. M. DE SOUSA, The Auctioneer,
Hong Kong, 25th day of February, 1927. [4501]

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received Instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, THE 27th, 28th and 10th MARCH, 1927, AT 10th MARCH, 1927.

H.M. NAVAL YARD, HONG KONG, AND AT KOWLOON NAVAL DEPOT, COMMENCING EACH DAY AT 9.30 A.M. WITH AN INTERVAL FROM 12 NOON TO 1.30 P.M.

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LOTS MAY BE INSPECTED ON MONDAY, 27th MARCH 1927.

Terms of Sale:—As detailed in Catalogue.

LAMBERT BROTHERS, By Appointment Auctioneers to the Admiralty, Hong Kong, 10th February, 1927. [4505]

INTIMATIONS.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at CITI HALL, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 26th FEBRUARY, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1926.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 14th FEBRUARY, to SATURDAY, the 25th FEBRUARY 1927 (both days inclusive) during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager,
Hong Kong, 7th February, 1927. [4521]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company's Shareholders will be held at the Company's Offices, 1, & O. BUILDING, on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, 1927, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1926, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 21st FEBRUARY to 5th MARCH, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents,
Hong Kong, 12th February, 1927. [4524]

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED, will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 7th DAY OF MARCH, 1927, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, to transact the Ordinary Business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, to MONDAY, 7th MARCH, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary,
Hong Kong, 12th February, 1927. [4523]

DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF HONG KONG AND SOUTH CHINA, E.C.

MASONIC SERVICE.

THE R. W. D. G. M. desires to remind all Masons in the District that the SECOND ANNUAL MASONIC SERVICE will be held in St. John's Cathedral on SUNDAY, the 27th MARCH, at 8 O'CLOCK. All Service Brethren are invited to attend.

The Cathedral Hall will be available for robing, and Brethren are requested to be ready to move in procession not later than 5.30 p.m. under the direction of D. G. Dir. of Cer.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary,
Hong Kong, 12th February, 1927. [4523]

CYMBEITHAS DEVI SANT (HONG KONG).

(ST. DAVID'S SOCIETY, HONG KONG).

THE ANNUAL DINNER of the Society will take place at the Hotel Savoy on TUESDAY, MARCH 1st, 1927, at 7.45 P.M. Tickets \$5.00 each. Members are invited to attend and bring guests and are requested to inform the Undersigned as soon as possible of the Number, Names and addresses of their guests and to forward at the Same Time the Cost of the Tickets.

G. S. HUGH-JONES,
Hon. Secretary,
9, Queen's Road Central, [4548]

NOTICE.

MONIES Up to \$400,000 are Available for Investment on First Class Mortgage Security subject to a Trustee Valuation.

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INTIMATIONS.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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THE Non-Selling Lottery on "THE HONGKONG DERBY" will be Drawn in the HONGKONG CLUB STAND, 1st Race Course on SATURDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1927, at 3 P.M.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary,
Hong Kong, 19th February, 1927. [4537]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING 1927.
25th FEBRUARY, 1st, 2nd & 3rd MARCH.

MEMBERS' BADGES. MEMBERS' BADGES of AD-MISSION Now Ready and may be obtained by those Members, who have not already received them, from Messrs. LUNSTEAD & DAVIS, ALEXANDRIA BUILDINGS.

Members are Reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the EXTRA RACE MEETINGS of this Year.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE. Members have the privilege of introducing Two Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure.

A Limited Number of Tickets are available and each Member can obtain upon application to the SECRETARY, Badges for the Admission of Two Ladies Free of Charge. On no pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the First Three Days Racing.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE. Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure: Price \$3.00 Per Day for all persons including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LTD., or at the "Box Office" and "Selling Stand" in Uniform Admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 Per Day.

Admission by Ticket Only. PASSENGERS' PASSES. Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. LUNSTEAD & DAVIS, ALEXANDRIA BUILDINGS.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination, and to endorse their Names on the Passes. Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their Employers' Stands.

Any Persons found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary, [4539]

ANNOUNCEMENT.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS OF HONG KONG.

C. D. LAMBERT, Esq. Will Read a Paper on "AUTOMOBILE TROUBLES AND HOW TO AVOID THEM" on FRIDAY, 25th FEBRUARY, 1927, at 5.45 P.M.

Chairman:—
L. J. BLACKBURN, Esq. (Vice President).

Members and their Friends are Cordially Invited to be Present.

A. LANDSBERT, Hon. Secretary, [4580]

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The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, FEBRUARY 25th 1927.

CHINA'S LEADERS.

It is not mere accident or pure chance which thrusts up to positions of authority one person rather than another. Each one who achieves the highest political post does so, not of his own volition, but chiefly by virtue of the support he secures from a mass of other people.

He is, in a sense, representative of the spirit of the times, embodying as he does the forces and the aspirations of the group who maintain him in authority. He is the apex as it were of the pyramid of a section of public opinion. It is quite true that the leader may have bitter rivals and many who would sacrifice much to see him ousted, but so long as this opposing force is inferior to that which he represents, the leader's active supporters, and so long as it is unable to win over to its side the vast mass of opinion which tolerates, or is indifferent to, the present situation and so upset the balance, the position of the leader in power is assured. The leader then is at once a portent and a symbol. What he is and what he stands for are, in a measure, what the people are aiming at.

Sun Yat Sen, whose apotheosis we are witnessing, is the figure head chosen by the Chinese to express their deepest yearnings. If it were not so, then obviously this deification and this ardent hero worship would not take place. It is we ourselves who are projected into the hero we select. We choose him and honour him because he represents what we ourselves would wish to be. So it is among the Chinese with Sun Yat Sen. Now, the portentous thing about Sun Yat Sen is that Sun Yat Sen was

not typically Chinese. He was born in Hawaii, and he was educated on Western lines. Above all, he was not a Chinese scholar. This, of course, is nothing to his dishonour but it does indicate how far the Chinese have deserted their ancient traditions. Sun Yat Sen is the new age, Young China, dynamic, impatient of the existing order, or disorder and backwardness. He is the blend of the East and West, with a strong emphasis on the West. He had knowledge of Western science, but was almost wholly lacking in the courtliness and the restraint derived from the classical learning. China, it seems, is developing a strong nationalism just when she is deserting her own national ideals. Confucius, the old idol, with his culture and his moral code, is being deposed, and Sun Yat Sen, the new idol, is being set up and worshipped. No wonder there is chaos in China when an attempt is being made to build up a nationalism, which is based on purely destructive and negative principles. And there are many Sun Yat SENS about in China. We behold the same symbol and portent in EUGENE CHEN whose chief mark of distinction is that he has a splendid command of—not Chinese—but English. The thought is enough to make the old Chinese Mandarins turn in their graves.

The fact of the matter is, of course, that the present movement is not in the first place national. It is destructive of an existing nationalism based on certain principles such as the Confucian Ethics, which have been in vogue for hundreds of years and have consolidated the people into a national whole. It is national in the sense that, having achieved its work of destruction, it seeks to impose a new binding force on the Chinese people. That unifying agency is Dr. Sun Yat Sen or what he stands for.

We cannot help feeling that the nation deserved a better and nobler character to lead it into the new world of prosperity. The quality of his leadership was vitiated in several directions. But the great weakness lies in the fact that Sun Yat Sen is identified with the South, and cannot hope to conquer and win the reverence and worship of the North as a whole. He will never become a "national" hero although the building of the great tomb at Nanking was regarded as another step in the process of making him one.

Mr. E. Ralphs has been installed as Provincial Grand Prior vice Sir Paul C. Chater, deceased. The last installation took place as long ago as 1885.

Members are reminded that the annual meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club will be held there this evening at six o'clock. A good attendance is desired.

The Kowloon Football Club have arranged to hold a special carnival dance at Messrs. Lane, Crawford's Restaurant on Wednesday next from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

The Kwangtung Telegraph Administration announces that an additional 20 per cent. is to be charged on all classes of telegrams, the extra charge to be used for repairing lines.

St. Andrew's Young Men's Club are holding their first social of the season at the Church Hall, Kowloon, this evening, beginning at 8.30. An attractive programme has been arranged.

The Hong Kong Stock Exchange will be closed Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, February 28th, March 1st and March 2nd, and on Saturday, March 4th, on account of the annual race meeting.

Senders of telegrams are informed by the Eastern Extension, Australasia and China Telegraph Co., Ltd., that, owing to faulty cable connection, telegrams to and from Shanghai and beyond are subject to delay.

A collision between two junks, at Futumoon Pass, has been reported to the police. One of the boats became waterlogged and sank, but its crew were rescued and brought back to the Colony by the other, which was only slightly damaged.

Yesterday afternoon shortly before 3 p.m. four men entered a godown at Des Voeux Road, West Point, and robbed an accountant who was there alone at the time of \$380. The police describe the case as one of robbery with violence.

The Hong Branch of the Boy Scouts Association are holding a camp fire sing-song at the Seamen's Institute, Praya East, to-morrow night beginning at 7.45 p.m. All old scouts will be warmly welcomed, and a special invitation is extended to Service men.

A horrible tragedy occurred on Wednesday when a Chinese foreman was run over by a contractor's work train on the Castle Peak Road about half way to Lai Chi Kok. The victim while attempting to board the train fell under the wheels of the truck and was instantaneously killed, his head being severed from his body.

It was stated yesterday that there would be another meeting of the Committee arranging the Agricultural Show in connection with the Northern District of the New Territory held at Lady Ho Tung's farm, Sheung Shui, on Saturday afternoon 2.30. The meeting is not to be held this Saturday, but on Saturday, March 26th.

A debate will be held at St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club this (Friday) evening when the motion "that early marriages are desirable" will be moved by the Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, M.A., and seconded by Mr. W. Thomas Tam, Barrister-at-law. Mr. R. J. Price, B.Sc., will oppose the motion, seconded by Prof. L. Forster, B.A.

Added attractions to the programme of gramophone records broadcasted by the Hong Kong Radio Society last evening, were piano-forte solos by Mr. H. J. Fountain, and a topical five minutes talk on sport. The programme for next week is to be provided by the Chinese Amateur Musical Association, and not the Confucian Band.

Charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsay as the Central Magistracy yesterday morning with illegally possessing 497 Po Pui lottery tickets, a Chinese stated that he had been promised two dollars to take the tickets to a certain house. Mr. Lindsay: You knew you were willing to take the risk. You were caught and must take the penalty—\$250 or two months hard labour.

Dr. Lai Chi Hsi, of Hong Kong University, was host to H.E. the Governor at an enjoyable Chinese dinner at Lee Garden on Tuesday evening. There were about a hundred present, including some of the Colony's most prominent Chinese and British residents. His Excellency's health was drunk. After the dinner the party visited the new Lee Theatre, upon the arrangement of which Mr. Lee Hsi San was congratulated.

On the occasion of his marriage in Shanghai, the congratulations and good wishes of his many friends in the Far East will be extended to Mr. J. H. Taggart, Chairman of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd. Mr. Taggart met his bride, who is a widow, in San Francisco. The marriage took place at the British Consulate General, Shanghai, and afterwards at St. Joseph's Church. The bride was Mrs. Mary Turner (nee Bowen) Mr. and Mrs. Taggart return to the Colony on Monday by the s.s. President Wilson.

ACCIDENTS IN FACTORIES.

PROPOSED NEW ORDINANCE.

REGULATIONS BY GOVERNOR-IN-COUNCIL.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council this (Friday) afternoon a Bill to provide against accidents in factories will be read a first time.

The object of this bill is to give the Governor-in-Council power to make regulations for the purpose of preventing accidents in factories, for the purpose of prescribing the provision of first aid appliances, and for requiring the notification of accidents in factories and of deaths due to such accidents. The maximum penalty suggested for breach of the regulations is \$250.

TROOP MOVEMENTS.

MARINES PROCEED TO SEANGHAI.

According to the latest information yesterday, the s.s. Minnesota with the 1,000 Royal Marines reinforcements on board was to proceed to Shanghai last night at ten o'clock.

The 5/2nd Punjab Regiment, which left Hong Kong some weeks ago for Shanghai, returned to the Colony yesterday on the s.s. Strathcona, having been relieved in Shanghai by the Suffolk.

The Punjab have gone to their old quarters at Kowloon.

Yesterday morning, men from the two flights of the Royal Air Force, who are aboard as additions to the flying strength out here, were observed on the Naval Yard football ground undergoing physical training.

The 80 naval reliefs for the China Station have also been landed.

SHANGHAI'S GENERAL STRIKE
COLLAPSES.

LABOUR UNION ISSUE - A "COMMUNIQUE."

STILL HOPE TO ATTAIN THEIR "IDEALS."

MR. EUGENE CHEN TO ISSUE A "DECLARATION"
ON FOREIGN CONCESSIONS.

MARSHAL SUN STILL RETREATING.

After lasting for five days the general strike at Shanghai has collapsed. Practically since the beginning of the strike thousands of the strikers had been resuming their jobs, and it was soon evident that the strike would fizzle out.

The local General Labour Union, who are generally believed to have been responsible for the strike, explain that "in view of the appeals of the merchant body" they have taken steps to end the strike "for the time being." They add that "this does not necessarily mean that the movement is over, for we will continue our efforts to attain our ideals."

A Chinese report states that Mr. Eugene Chen has drawn up a "declaration" to explain "the real attitude of the Nationalist Government" with reference to Foreign Concessions in China.

STRIKE "CALLED" OFF.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24th. The General Labour Union announces that steps are being taken to call off the strike.

A LABOUR UNION
COMMUNIQUE.

LATER.

The Labour Union, in a communiqué, states:—"The general strike has lasted five days and as the result of the self-sacrificing efforts of fellow-workers it has met with considerable success. In view of the continued appeals by the merchant body, the General Labour Union has undertaken to take steps with a view to ending the strike for the time being. This, however, does not necessarily mean that the movement is over because we will continue our efforts to attain our ideals."

MOVEMENTS OF AMERICAN
DESTROYERS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23rd. It is officially announced that the destroyers *Hulbert*, *Nua* and *Preble* have left for Shanghai from Manila, the destroyer *Pratt* for Hong Kong from Cavite, the *Parrott* for Shanghai from Fuchow.

FOREIGN CONCESSIONS IN
CHINA.A "DECLARATION" BY MR.
EUGENE CHEN.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24th. In order to clear misunderstandings which may be cherished among foreign communities in the foreign concessions in China, Mr. Eugene Chen has drawn up a declaration to explain the real attitude of the Nationalist Government. The theme of the declaration is that the latter is willing to settle all Sino-foreign outstanding questions in friendly and peaceful negotiation. It repudiates the rumour that the Nationalist Government will resort to force.

SUN EVACUATES KASHING.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24th. Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's soldiers have evacuated Kashing, which has been Sun's field-headquarters since the fall of Hangchow. They are believed to be retreating to Sungkiang. The Southerners are stated to be in the vicinity of Kashing.

AUSTRALIAN FLOUR.
FOR SHANGHAI AND HONG
KONG.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MELBOURNE, Feb. 24th. The War Office has accepted the New South Wales' Millers' Association's tenders for the supply of 112 short tons of Australian flour for Shanghai and 100 tons for Hong Kong. The price has not been divulged.

BRITAIN AND
RUSSIA.

LONDON PRESS COMMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 23rd. The morning newspapers comment extensively on the British Note to Russia.

The *Daily Telegraph* says the Note does not leave room for misunderstanding on the continuance of the course of conduct which the Note denounces and will bring about the abrogation of the Trade Agreement and the severance of diplomatic relations.

The *Morning Post* says that Sir A. Chamberlain cannot hope that the protests will deflect the Soviet Government from the implacable course of its policy; but the Note does not leave the Government of Moscow an excuse for pretending that it has been faithful to its agreements or that it has not been warned that it is breaking them.

The *Daily News* declares that to expect the Soviets to abandon their propaganda of Communism is tantamount to demanding that they should cease to exist. The outstanding fact is that we are faced with a militant communist state which no-one really proposes to try to destroy by force of arms.

The *Daily Mail* characterises the Note as an "inoffensive and apologetic sermon," and adds that "We have heard a more formidable scolding given by an elderly lady to her Pekingese in Hyde Park."

The *Westminster Gazette* is of opinion that the protest may be ill-timed in view of the crisis in China and the recent Chen-O'Malley Agreement, and adds that the tone is not calculated to invite a conciliatory response. Meantime, we must be satisfied, await the reply and consider it on its merits when it arrives.

Ichang Situation.

ICHANG, Feb. 23rd. The situation is the same, but the temper of the inhabitants appears to be getting worse daily. A movement has been made in the direction of a settlement at the strike, but the prospects, so far, are not good.

At Changsha.

CHANGSHA, Feb. 23rd.

There is no improvement in the local situation. Hunanese troops are now concentrating on Changsha.

Hankow Still Quiet.

HANKOW, Feb. 23rd. Hankow remains quiet, but the Chinese are declaring a holiday to-morrow, a demonstration having been organized to protest against the landing of British troops at Shanghai.

Mr. O'Malley At Kluksing.

KLUKING, Feb. 23rd. Mr. O. St. C. O'Malley arrived here to-day aboard H.M.S. *Cricket*. More troops of the 6th Army are being sent down river.

Shantung Troops At Nanking.

NANKING, Feb. 23rd. General Chang Tsung Chang, the Shantung tungan arrived yesterday, and his troops are arriving in large numbers. The majority are coming from Fukow, and most have already proceeded down river.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

U.S. Destroyers For Shanghai.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23rd. It is announced that the American naval forces at Shanghai will be augmented by four destroyers.

Questions In The Commons.

Answering questions, Sir Austen Chamberlain enumerated the signatories to the China Arms Embargo Agreement, and added that difference of opinion had arisen regarding the strictness of the interpretation of the terms.

The French and Italian Governments had asserted their freedom to export aircraft to China, and Denmark exported machinery for use as arsenal equipment.

Questioned about the Hankow Agreement, the full text of which he had not yet received, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that as only insignificant damage had been done to property the question of compensation did not arise.

No Compensation!

Sir C. Kinlock-Cooke asked what about the women and children who were turned out of Hankow and had to be accommodated at Shanghai.

Sir Austen Chamberlain acknowledged that they were put to great expense and hardship, but it was not a matter on which they could claim compensation.

Replying to Lieut.-Com. Kenworthy, the Prime Minister, Mr. Baldwin, said that no invitations had been sent to the Dominions to send troops to China to co-operate with the British.

AMERICAN "WIRE-
LESS."A "CONTROL" BILL
INTRODUCED.

NO MONOPOLY OF ETHER.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24th.

President Coolidge has signed the Wireless Control Bill, which is aimed at preventing any radio interest getting a monopoly of ether. The Bill provides for the establishment of a Federal Wireless Commission empowered to make regulations and grant licenses.

DE PINEDO'S FLIGHT.

MACHINE SERIOUSLY
DAMAGED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 23rd.

A message from Fernando Noronha says that the Marquis De Pinedo has informed the Italian Government that he does not know when he will be able to continue his flight to the mainland, as his aeroplane was seriously damaged by his forced landing in the Bay of Santo Antonio yesterday.

Arrives at Port Natal.

PERNAMBUCO, Feb. 24th. De Pinedo has arrived at Port Natal.

NAVAL CONSTRUCTION.

STATEMENT IN THE HOUSE
OF COMMONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 23rd.

In the House of Commons, replying to Lieut.-Com. Kenworthy, Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, said that the cruisers which were at present being constructed for the British Empire, Japan and the United States were 11, 6 and 2 respectively.

WHEN IS A DRIVER
DRUNK?ARTILLERY CAPTAIN
CHARGED.

A recent definition of drunkenness, made by a County Court judge, applicable to drivers of motor-cars was quoted at Bow-street Police-court during the hearing of charges of drunkenness and dangerous driving brought against Capt. Arthur Aylmer, Marston, R.A., of Wixhill, Herts, Surrey.

Sir Travers Humphreys and Mr. Christmas Humphreys appeared for the defendant, who pleaded not guilty.

Presenting on behalf of the Commissioner of Police, Mr. Herbert Muskett applied for a writ of habeas corpus to the County Court judge, who was quoted at Bow-street Police-court during the hearing of charges of drunkenness and dangerous driving brought against Capt. Arthur Aylmer, Marston, R.A., of Wixhill, Herts, Surrey.

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Mr. Muskett added that he desired to submit as a general proposition some observations recently made by Judge Hugh Sturges, who said: "Where a man's skill and judgment are required in the judgment of a motor-car is obviously diminished or impaired as a direct result of the consumption of alcohol. I hold that he is drunk within the meaning of the Act."

Mr. Graham Campbell (the magistrate) entirely agreed with that definition.

In answer to Sir Travers Humphreys, the magistrate said that the committee (of which he was a member) appointed by the British Medical Association to consider the question of the adoption of standard tests in cases of alleged drunkenness had not yet made their report.

The hearing was adjourned.

OBITUARY.

A FAMOUS ENGLISH
BARRISTER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, February 24th.

The death is announced of Sir Edward Marshall Hall, the famous English barrister.

[Sir Edward Marshall Hall, K.C., was born at Brighton in 1838. He had been Recorder of Guildford since 1916. He was educated at Rugby, where he was a mathematical prizeman, and at St. John's College, Cambridge. He was a barrister of the Inner Temple in 1859, a bencher in 1910. He practised in London and on the South-Eastern Circuit and Sussex Sessions. Sir Arthur was M.P. (C.) for the Southport Division of Lancs., 1900-5, and of East Toxteth Division of Liverpool, 1910-16. He appeared in many celebrated cases during the past thirty years, and was generally regarded as one of England's most distinguished barristers.]

IMPRESSIVE MILITARY
FUNERAL.K.O.S.B. PRIVATE INTERRED
AT HAPPY VALLEY.

There was a very impressive military funeral at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, when Private Melvil, of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, was interred at the Protestant Cemetery.

The deceased, who was about 45 years of age, and unmarried, died shortly after noon on Wednesday at the Military Hospital having only been admitted the previous day. Shortly before Private Melvil had returned from camp in the New Territories.

The coffin was placed on a gun carriage, and covered with the Union Jack. Preceded by the K.O.S.B. firing party, with arms reversed, and the bagpipes and muffled drums (draped in black) of the Battalion, the gun carriage proceeded along the Praya East-Road to the Valley. Beside the gun carriage walked a number of deceased comrades as pall bearers, while behind the coffin followed a detachment of the King's Own Scottish Borderers.

Many people watched the impressive procession as it made its way at the stately slow march to the Cemetery, the Pipers playing "Scots Wha Hae" en route, to the accompaniment of the muffled drums.

The Rev. Alexander, Chaplain of the Battalion, officiated at the grave side, and afterwards three volleys were fired, and a party of hughers sounded the "Last Post" and the "Reveille."

THE KIT-CAT CLUB.

CLOSING TENDERS 300 OUT
OF WORK.

The Kit-Cat Club in the Haymarket, S.W., which has been struck off the register, following a prosecution related in these columns for the illegal sale of intoxicants, the premises being disqualified for three months, presents a dismal appearance. Outside appears the notice: "Members are advised that the club is temporarily closed."

But an official of the club told a reporter that it might not be a case of being only temporarily closed.

A board meeting will be held to decide the future of the club, and at the moment I have no announcement to make. Until then there is some doubt as to whether the club will open again. There has been 290,000 wasted."

The closing of the Kit-Cat Club for three months has meant that at least 300 people are thrown out of work. Some of them have found posts at an hotel for the time being, in the hope that the club will be reopened. There are more than 100 waiters, 30 of the kitchen staff, and cashiers, telephone operators, office staff, and others out of work.

21,500 In Fines.

About 30 people appeared at Marlborough-street Police Court to answer summonses as consumers, or for aiding and abetting the principals in the sale of intoxicants at the Kit-Cat Club.

Mr. Mead, the magistrate, dismissed some of the summonses, and in other cases imposed fines of £10, £5, or £2.

The fines imposed in the case totalled £1,500 (with £150 costs, in addition, against the club), the fines against consumers and frequenters amounting to £230.

A ROW IN WANCHAI.

A WHOLE POLICE STATION
FORCE TURNS OUT.TWO GOVERNMENT SERVANTS
FINED.

Two coolies who were fighting over a gambling debt, caused such a disturbance in the Wanchai district, that all the police officers, headed by Inspector Blackman, of the Wanchai No. 2 Station, turned out, and on arrival at the scene it was discovered that one man had got a piece of iron piping with which he was trying to lay the other out.

Brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday morning, Inspector Blackman told the Court, amid laughter, that both combatants were Government servants.

"Who arrested the man," asked his Worship, to which question the Inspector replied: "I did so myself. We heard the whistles and ran out into the street where we found the two men fighting."

Mr. Lindsell: Were there any implements?—Yes. Pieces of piping. They are pipe inspectors as a matter of fact.

Mr. Lindsell (to the defendants): You are Government servants and should know better. Fined \$5 each or seven days.

UNWHOLESOME PORK.

HAND-CART COOLIE
CHARGED.

A Chinese, who was pushing a hand-cart containing the carcasses of two dead pigs which were dangerously tainted, was arrested and brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday at the Central Magistrate's Court.

Defendant told the Court that he was hired to carry the pork and did not know that he was doing anything wrong. Two other coolies who were pulling the cart saw the constable approach and ran away.

Mr. Lindsell: Where were you taking the carcasses?—I don't know.

His Worship: Were you the licensee of the truck?—Yes. But a man named Ah Hoi was leading the way.

His Worship: Who is Ah Hoi?—He is employed at a butcher's shop. Mr. Lindsell observed that if the defendant's story were true, he could scarcely be held responsible.

Inspector P. Grant: He knew all about it; he knew Ah Hoi was a pork dealer and he went to the shop to fetch it.

Mr. Lindsell: Was it very tainted? Inspector Grant: Yes, very. In fact I should say it was dangerously tainted.

Mr. Lindsell: I will give you two days to help you find Ah Hoi. The Police will give you every opportunity for pointing him out. If you cannot do so, you must be held responsible.

DAMAGING KOWLOON
PLANTATION.

SHARP FINES INFLICTED.

Armed with choppers and saws, twelve villagers were arrested on a charge of trespassing in the Government plantation on the hillside at Kowloon City.

When they were brought before Mr. W. Schofield yesterday at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court, the Forestry Department, said that an enormous amount of damage would have been caused had the defendants not been arrested.

The Botanical and Forestry Department regarded the case in a serious light and asked for a heavy penalty.

His Worship fined each of the defendants \$25, with the alternative of three weeks' hard labour.

THE "EMPRESS OF ASIA."

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived in port yesterday just before noon, and berthed alongside the Kowloon Wharves.

She brought no fewer than 458 passengers, of whom 418 disembarked here. For Hong Kong there were 61 first class passengers, 68 second class, 60 third class and six servants.

The liner sails for Manila on Sunday, taking the remaining 42 passengers on to that port, and they comprise 21 first class, 12 second class, six third class, and three steerage passengers.

The *Empress of Asia* brought general cargo for Hong Kong and Manila, and also mail from Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai.

The liner returns from Manila on March 5th, and leaves for Vancouver, via ports, on March 9th.

A list of the principal passengers who arrived for Hong Kong, including local residents, will be found elsewhere.

CIVIL AND MILITARY
FLYING.UNMANNED AEROPLANES
CARRYING T.N.T.CATAPULT LAUNCHING
SYSTEM.

Mr. Carro-Jones, M.P., speaking at a meeting of the 1926 Club in London on "Air Development," said that the catapult system of launching aeroplanes from the decks of ships had important and immediate possibilities. It would not be many years before great liners approaching the western headlands of Europe and the eastern littoral of America would discharge from their upper decks flights of small aeroplanes which, loaded with urgent mails or with special passengers, would advance to the main centres of industry. These aeroplanes, having performed their mission, could return to the ship at a short interval of departure. The development would come the sooner because it did not involve the more difficult problem of alighting on deck from the air.

Airships Attendant Plans.

A similar principle would add greatly to the value of the large airships now under construction for the Air Ministry. These gigantic vessels would be able to carry underdashing aeroplanes which, on longer voyages, could be slipped into space to carry out subsidiary missions. Here, again, the problem of return to the parent ship was the more difficult of solution, but it would be easier in the case of an ocean liner. Already aeroplanes had been successfully launched by the catapult system from the crowded spaces of men-of-war, and it was common knowledge that aeroplanes had been slipped from airships and rehung in the air.

Threat to London.

Aeroplanes were being developed more rapidly as weapons of destruction than as commercial and military transport. In the United States a tremendous destruction force in the form of T.N.T. had been propelled on to an objective 35 miles distant. If this distance were increased to 100 miles, as it shortly would be, London would become hopelessly vulnerable to that form of attack from the Continent. Civil and military developments were not on convergent lines. Every year the fighting aeroplanes and to a lesser extent the bombing aeroplanes, became more and more useless for civil purposes. In his opinion, while one-sided disarmament would be an unacceptable peril to Britain, the Government should make greater efforts to induce Europe to agree to a substantial measure of disarmament in the air.

BRITAIN'S NEW LINK WITH
ARGENTINE.LINERS WHICH WILL CALL
AT PLYMOUTH.

A fleet of five oil-burning liners, each of 14,000 tons, will begin sailings between England and Argentina this month. They will form a new link between two countries which for many years have enjoyed the closest, friendliest, and most profitable trading relations, and will call at Plymouth homeward bound.

In the development of the Argentine British enterprise has played a leading part. In 1914 there was £200,000,000 of British capital in the Argentine. To-day there is £400,000,000. British money and effort went to build most of the Argentine railways. The railways gave the country prosperity, for they enabled the inland territories to send their products to the coast.

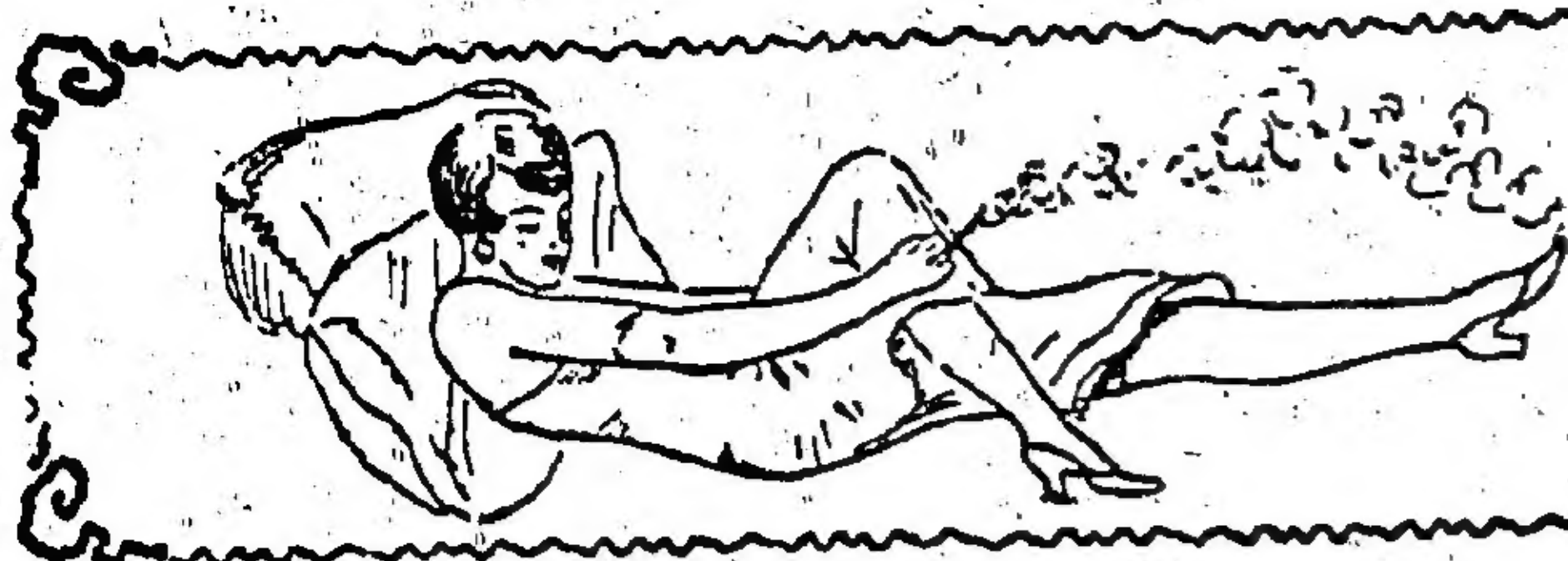
It is as a meat-and-grain producing country that one thinks of the Argentine. The cost of producing its prime beef is lower than in any other country in the Western Hemisphere conditions being ideal for the raising of cattle. At Buenos Ayres and La Plata are great " frigorificos," where the meat is chilled. The largest of these has just been opened at Buenos Ayres. Here 5,000 cattle and 10,000 sheep are dealt with every day.

1,000,000 Tons Of Wheat.

Next in importance to the meat production of the Argentine is the production of grain. Argentina sends to Britain alone more than one million tons of wheat and about 600,000 tons of meat every year.

Buenos Ayres, the chief city of the Argentine, fifty years ago had a population of 250,000. To-day its population is eight times as great, and it has become the greatest Latin city in the world. Three per cent. of this population is employed by the Anglo-Argentine Tramways Co., which carries 600,000 passengers every year. This is a British enterprise.

Already many fine ships serve the South American route, and when these five new liners are sailing there will be passenger transport of the most luxurious character. They will sail every fortnight from London to Buenos Ayres, calling at Boulogne, Lisbon, Madeira, Rio de Janeiro, Santos, and Montevideo. Inward bound they will make Plymouth. The voyage will occupy a little under nineteen days.



The WOMAN'S PAGE

FROCKS FOR THE RACES.

The new dresses for the races have arrived with their appropriate hats and shoes, and if we have fine weather the race course at Happy Valley will be as lovely a sight as Ascot.

There are always beautiful things to be found at Rolande Sarault's, but when I went in the other day the assistants were examining and ticketing a new shipment of race and dance dresses from Paris, each more lovely than the last. My main impressions of the trend of *Madame la Mode* were: Silk lace, geometric lines, uneven hems and the over-dress, but there is a frock to suit every taste.

Of the race dresses most had long sleeves, and there was one delightful model which sums up all that is new and is every inch of it *Parisienne*. The foundation is black crepe de chine and the overdress in the same material is checked in a small geometrical pattern of scarlet black and white. This is open all down the front from the collar with its



A happy design for between seasons. Temperature varies dangerously just now, and when it is hot, the satin semi-coat can be removed, and the pleated chiffon frock disclosed.

long black scarf ends each weighted with a scarlet drop, to the low waist line where it is held together by a scarlet buckle. Below, it falls demurely showing just a glimpse of the black underskirt. The sleeves are of the patterned material to the elbow and then take that delightful new lantern form in the black crepe.

Another lovely frock of beige crepe and lace is designed on similar lines and trimmed with a large flat poy, to hold the overdress together at the waist, made with leaves of the material and tiny pink and blue flowers. There is another model which shows the new version of the fichu collar; it is made in black crepe de chine with an all-over floral pattern in tones of beige and *tabac*, and is sleeveless with a full short skirt.

The dance dresses are, if possible, even more lovely. There seem to be three distinctive styles; one the picture frock of which I liked best a model in pale sky blue tulle with a design of tiny pink bouquets. It had a long tight top and full skirt trimmed with tiny frills following the new geometric lines. Of the simple style, which depends on its excellence of line, there was one dress of *creux rose* silk lace over crepe de chine, and one in flame coloured velvet brocade. Chiffon. Then there were examples of the draped dress of which my favourite was in a delicate pea-green crepe, gathered by a beaded motive in

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FANCY DRESS.

It's such fun dressing up and even the menfolk, though they pretend to despise it, love a chance of displaying a well turned leg or indulging their secret vanity by wearing silks and velvets and bright colours! There's an opportunity to show your ingenuity on March 4th at the masked ball at the City Hall.

I saw some new ideas for fancy dress from Paris the other day which suggest variations from the usual run. One is a bottle of Eau de Cologne, the *Johanne Maria Farina* brand. It's a straight chemise-like dress of white satin bordered with black and with the lettering and signature either applied or painted in black. The throat is the neck of the bottle with its striped label running from the chin to the top of the dress, and on the head you must wear a white turban with black stripes. Less simple but very pretty is "The Arbour." There is a sheath like knee length underdress of ruby silk, with a tunic built of crossed bronze ribbons lightly wired to stand out square from the hips and hang stuffily, and hung with bunches of green grapes and silver leaves. A cluster of vine leaves and tendrils is on one shoulder and the head is wreathed with leaves and grapes. Then there is "Butterfly." A tight fitting dress of green velvet cut to a point at the hem back and front, with side fullness of pleated green georgette, makes the body of the insect. The wings also of georgette painted in green orange and black are sewn down the side seam of the dress and fastened to each wrist. With this wear a tight little cap with long antennae.

front of the low waist line, into butterfly lines.

At "The Sign of the Lantern" I saw three perfectly delightful dance dresses. One is in lavender crepe de chine, sleeveless, with the fullness smocked to form a deep pointed yoke and a band round the hips; for such a demure little frock it is amusingly trimmed with a bouquet of tiny flowers and a long silk fringe in pink blue and green, on the hip. Then there is a more formal evening dress in black crepe with brilliant and garnet buckles; and a picture dress with a charming old world flavour in a heavy gold metal thread material, with a big flat poy in the colours of faded leaves.

At Lane, Crawford's I saw a lovely black satin coat made with wide sleeves that would be just the thing to protect a light frock on the way to the Race Course, and some adorable shoes. There was a pair in silver kid trimmed with lizard; one of beige satin with strappings of silver kid, and another of simple design, but exquisite cut in *tabac* silk kid.

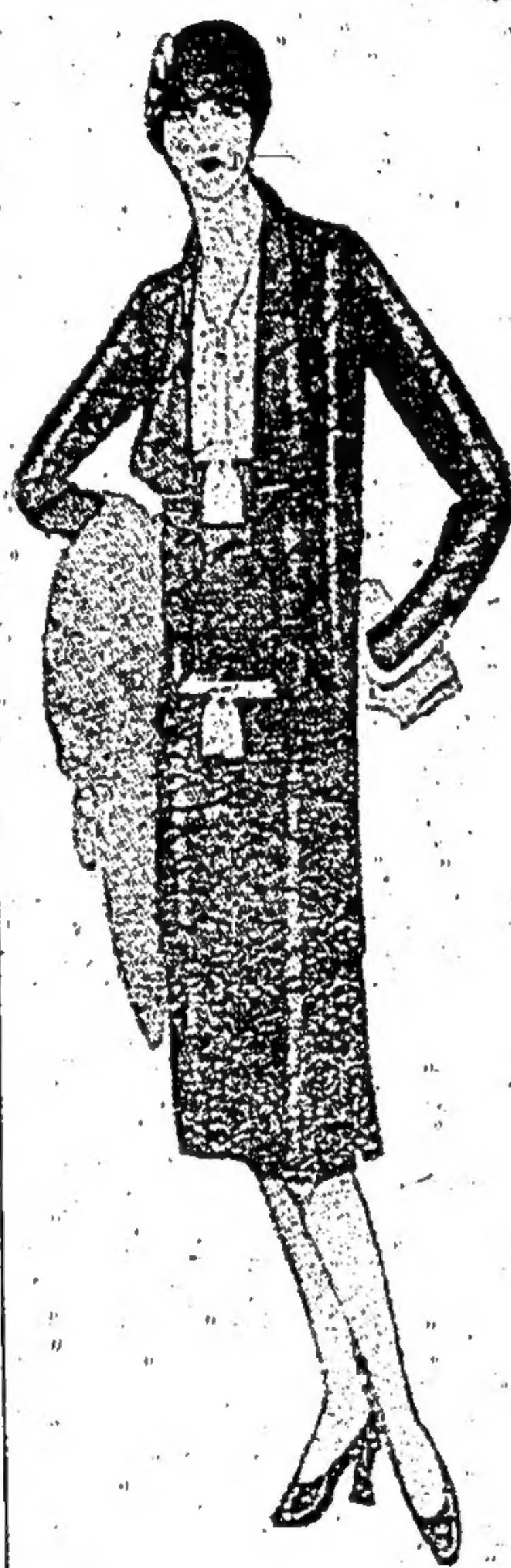
Madame Clerget, of Ice House Street, has a collection of model frocks many of them from famous Paris houses. The most charming of her race frocks, I thought, was one in *vertigis* georgette trimmed at the foot and on the lantern sleeves with loops of chenil shading from deep pine needle green to the tone of the dress. There was also a Lelong model in deep biscuit chambray trimmed with gold *galon*; the fullness of the skirt is shirred under the pockets and the sleeves are beautifully cut to fit like a glove. I saw also two race frocks on the jumper suit line, both chambray finely accordin pleated. The one was electric blue with a jumper in knitted silver thread, and the other in grey green with the skirt pleated in diamond patterns and the jumper tailored and stitched to give the effect of a *gilet*. Patu has provided a straight frock with a sash, in accordion pleated silver grey satin, trimmed with silver braid; also a dance frock in *per-senche* blue georgette with ruffled blue velvet to trim the hem, and a *diamante* buckle at the waist. From Lelong again comes a dance dress in white tulle, covered with pearls and sequins in a striking pattern of gold and silver, with a vivid yellow rose on the shoulder.

Powells are also showing a few very lovely and distinctive models for the races. They are mostly in tones of beige georgette, with decorative capes of the same material. One I liked particularly was a warm biscuit colour trimmed with *broderie anglaise* in a bold pattern strengthened by net. They have some charming and original hats and the latest thing in shoes to wear with them.

Whiteaway, Laidlaw are not making a speciality of race frocks but have just received a big shipment of delightful spring dresses.

THE WET SEASON.

All too soon it will be here, and how to secure comfort in conjunction with the mode is ever an anxious question. Until only such a short time ago, a Burberry was the sole waterproof considered correct, and even they refused to shed their linings in the tropics. Some one coming out from home remarked that London on a wet day now looked like a huge moving bed of Japanese anemones! Every woman delights in a coloured umbrella of thick silk, and cunning shape. Every umbrella has its waterproof to match or contrast, and these are cut slightly longer than any fashionable frock as a protection from splashes. These coloured waterproofs are now stocked in Hong Kong in various sizes. Apparently we have no pity for our footwear,



In Navy Watered Rep.

or our stockings, but many a cold is saved by secreting a clean pair of fragile hose in a pocket or handbag before a bridge party, and there can always be some excuse to change.

The Pioneer Store have an excellent selection of stockings of many advertised makes. They keep all the Holeproof qualities, which will stand much hard wear without bitter complaint, and all the hundred and one shades of "Kayser" with the nicely pointed double heel, and single clock. Gunmetal is a most useful shade for navy frocks, and they have a good silver for evening. A good stocking pays all the time, in colour, in shape, and in texture, and with careful washing, and plentiful rest, having the best is an astonishing economy. Many materials live by rent just as the human body does, and if there is insufficient time for the elasticity to contract after wearing, the tiny fragile threads give up the unequal struggle and fray away to nothing.

One other golden rule about buying stockings is to avoid the single pair of any shade, or colour. Only too often the right foot will wear out before the left just as though it had done more work, and if two pairs have been bought and washed equally, the two left foot stockings will agree to carry on the good work for many weeks after their right hand brothers have been turned into dusters.

NEW DECORATIVE MATERIALS.

In Hong Kong I've lately seen handbags made of raffia cross stitch on linen, or canvas; patchwork a la Gaudinere, in all kinds of shapes and uses. Pen-painting is coming back to fashion in lovely ways, it was such a rage about seven years ago that it died the death of surfeit, but the craze for embroidery on everything was bound to find expression sooner or later in stitchery augmented by pen-painting. The stamens of flowers are much more easily given life by this medium, than by the more usual method of making Peking knots, or drawing the threads of the centres of the flowers.

A lot more variety might be introduced into lampshades. One gets so tired of silk, lined with more or less of paper waxed and stencilled in colours, and even more of bamboo lined and painted, or the ornate pretty-pretty shade. The Sign of the Lantern has some attractive and useful parchment lampshades, in soft natural colours with a little western drawing on them in colour. The glass flowers from Peking seem to have made friends with these lampshades, being of the same tone, and a very pretty corner can be arranged in this way, with a cushion of a definite hue beside the soft colours.

The Swatow Lace Co. in Queen's Road have enormous stocks of shades from Peking at all prices, and in all sizes. Some have stands as well. In fact there is such a riot of colour in this shop that it is as well to take a seat, which is always kindly proffered, and have a good look round at the treasures. The lace is good value, especially a kind of cluny, and there are many examples of "painting the lily" or, in other words, embroidering fillet lace. The Sincere Company are now stocking fairly long fringe, suitable to even frocks, or renovating some precious garment. It makes quite a pretty finish to a petticoat, if such items are still worn!

CLEANING FURNITURE.

One gill of turpentine, 1 gill linseed oil, 1 gill methylated spirit, 1 gill vinegar. Mix all together and shake well before use. This mixture makes a most efficient polish for furniture, and all kinds of leather work, papier mache, or leather trunks. It should be applied sparingly, with a soft rag, and the article given a fine polish with an old piece of silk.

Lemons are frequently used in the East, and rarely does the skin of the fruit, and that of oranges find any home but a premature dust bin. There are so many uses for the rinds of these two that no scrap should be wasted. To begin with, the mantelpiece which is often of marble. The stains and rings left by flower vases, the marks of the cigarettes that have been carelessly left with the burning edge outside and subsequently forgotten, they can all be removed by the careful application of lemon rind. It must be remembered that it is an acid which is removing the stain, and therefore the treatment must be quickly finished, and the surface rinsed with warm water, and polished with a very little salad oil. Knives and forks that have been used for fish should be rubbed with the rind of a fresh lemon after washing. A slight flavour of crab, or lobster, is often detected on the cutlery after they have been washed carefully and put away before the surface has cooled.

Strained lemon juice makes an excellent hair rinse after the shampoo, and fresh lemon skins left in the bathroom after every day come in so useful for stained fingers, or nails. Lemon juice mixed with salt will remove ink stains or iron mould from white materials without harming the garment. The amah so often has a favourite rusty dipper with which the liberally besprinkled sheets with unsightly yellow dots. The lemon-salt should be gently rubbed into the place, and left in the bright sun for an hour. When the salt is washed off the stain should disappear.

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The arrival in the Colony of the s.s. Sunning, after the vessel's first trip to Shanghai since being refitted after the piracy on November 15th last, has revealed that two members of the crew, both Chinese, were

taken ill on the voyage to the North, both cases, it is understood, being due to fear.
One man has been certified as insane by the Port Health Officer at Shanghai, whilst the second man, who is stated to be suffering from an acute nervous breakdown, is not expected to live.
Both of these men were required by the Hong Kong Police to give evidence in the case against the two remaining men, accused of being concerned in the piracy.

CRICKET NOTES.

A blank week and last week in the Cricket world was annoying but I do not think we can complain too much! After all the weather, if a bit chilly at times, has been quite propitious and I cannot call to mind any entirely blank Saturday before this season. At the moment of writing, it looks pretty smoky, but with any luck we may get to-morrow's games played off.

The Delay In The League.

The state of the Senior Division is very bad, though a series of difficulties have arisen. Naturally the Interport Trials upset everything to start with, and the question of grounds has also contributed a good deal to the hang-up. The Borderers have been in Camp, and lost their first available Saturday last week through rain. They thus have eight more matches to play and no ground! The Indians are a bit behind too owing to Interport trials and a couple of postponements.

The Second Division are much better off as they have only the grounds difficulty to compete with. The Police and the Indians have only one more game apiece and the latter must be on top. Should they lose, however, and Police win then a tie would result, while if Recreation won both their outstanding matches as well it would be a triple tie! As however a draw will put the I.R.C. in an unbeatable position I don't think they need be nervous about not pulling off the Shield.

Next Week's Matches.

Civil Service are at home to the Borderers and I think it is just as well that the wicket has had a bit of rain on it before Dobbie bowls. It is, however, wonderful how well it plays in spite of its looks and its locality, unfenced and without nearly enough soil on top of the reclamation filling—chiefly bricks and broken tiles I have been told. I should not be surprised to see the C.S. win, but as I think I have remarked before, a tremendous lot depends upon Dobbie. He should like the short boundaries if he settles down.

The Club are at home to the R.E. and Signals but I should not be surprised to hear that the match was off. Having a hopeless collapse on the part of Kowloon the Club, with 7 points for a games cannot well hope to win the League. But they should take three points to-morrow if the game is played. The Chinese are at home to the Navy. A side now a shadow of its former self. The visitors, however, should be good enough to win. The O.R.C. bowling is quite useful but I rather doubt their batsmen's capacity to deal with Benzy if he is in anything like good form.

The most interesting match of the lot will be the postponed match, I.R.C. v. Kowloon, which is being played at Sookunpo to-morrow. I should be pretty confident of the result were the venue of the game different. But the lions of Kowloon have a knack of turning into woolly lambs when they visit strange pastures. I think the game is a pretty open one, and if Kowloon win they are practically safe for the Shield. If cricket enthusiasts want excitement to-morrow Sookunpo is the best place to look for it.

K.C.C. second string are at home to the Club de Recreation. I don't pretend to understand the former team. At times they play in form to beat three-quarters of the first Division, and suddenly for no apparent reason collapse into the veriest hutch of rabbits. If they can pull out their proper form they should win though on seven games each Recreation are three points above them.

Grounds For The Troops.

The large influx of troops which may be coming to the Colony in the immediate future makes the grounds question even more acute. It has been suggested that with the exception of League matches which affect the winning of the Shield, Civilian teams (barring the Club) with grounds of their own should cancel their remaining fixture lists and take on Service teams for the rest of the season. The Club, I have no doubt, would readily do so, as they have always shown great interest in the Service games. But they are entering on the Tennis Tournament which is, I understand, the official "meeting" of the Lawn Tennis in Hong Kong. All the Championships are decided at it, and I am sure that the Services would be the last people to wish to see it interfered with, especially as many of the leading players are officers in the Navy or Army.

Averages.

I am vastly obliged to my distinguished colleague for amending his average system. I confess that I read them with great interest, especially in noticing how entirely misleading the system would be were it regarded as an infallible guide to the selection of the best players. I do not mean that it keeps down merit, but that it bolsters up lucky incompetence.

R. ABBEY

CRICKET.

KOWLOON C.C. v. K.O.S.B.

KOWLOON UNEXPECTEDLY DEFEATED.

On their own ground yesterday, the Kowloon Cricket Club suffered their first defeat this season at the hands of the King's Own Scottish Borderers by 48 runs. The Scottish Borderers batted first and could only make 130 runs. Guest took two valuable wickets, those of Capt. Thorp and Pte. Everest just when they appeared set. Kowloon then failed against excellent bowling and were dismissed for 84 runs. Brace, 24, and Capt. Morris, 36, were the outstanding batsmen. Capt. Dobbie did most damage with the ball, taking 4 wickets for 27 runs.

Kowloon did not turn out their strongest team, as at first expected. Only nine men were present at the beginning of the match and ten batted, and although the eleventh man, who did not field, was present at the fall of the ninth wicket he was not put in, despite the fact that the opposing captain declared that he would raise no objection. Goodwin, their crack bowler, was a notable absentee.

Scores:—

K.O.S.B.	Kowloon
Lieut. Hankey, c Brace, b Lyle	5
Capt. Thorp, l.b.w., b Guest	8
Lieut. Tregear, b Brace	28
Pte. Everest, b Guest	21
Capt. Dobbie, b Ramsey	1
Pte. Brown, c sub, b Lyle	1
Capt. Perfect, b Brace	27
Pte. Sturges, c Ramsey, b Lyle	1
Pte. Stock, b Lyle	12
Lieut. Corpl. Crawley, b Brace	3
Hill, not out	9
Extras	7
Total	130

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lyle	12.3	3	23	4
Brace	11	0	23	3
Ross	4	0	21	0
Guest	7	0	17	2
Ramsey	5	1	20	1

K.O.C.	Kowloon
W. Brace, c Tregear, b Everest	28
J. C. Lyle, b Dobbie	9
W. Guest, c Brown, b Dobbie	0
A. W. Ramsey, c Brown, b Hankey	0
E. W. Morris, c Dobbie, b Hankey	38
W. Hyde, c and b Everest	3
S. Jex, c Skiggs, b Perfect	3
A. R. F. Raven, b Dobbie	3
H. Burton, not out	4
N. Ross, b Dobbie	0
Extras	2
Total	94

Last man absent.

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dobbie	10.5	3	27	4
Hankey	4	1	9	2
Everest	10	2	30	2
Perfect	4	0	18	1
—Bowled wide and 1 no ball.				

LEAGUE TABLE.

Including yesterday's match, the League Table for the first Division is as follows:—

P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Kowloon C.C.	7	2	1	16
Civil Service C.C.	3	4	1	10
Royal Navy	7	4	1	14
Indian R.C.	5	3	1	10
Hong Kong C.C.	2	1	3	0
K.O.S.B.	3	2	1	6
Royal Artillery	4	2	2	6
University	7	1	4	2
Craigswater	8	1	5	3
Chinese R.C.	6	1	5	3
R.E. and S.	3	0	3	0

Kowloon's reverse yesterday materially affects the prospects for the Shield. Before this match, they were in the most favourable position, but now the K.O.S.B.'s chances are, on paper, better.

The K.O.S.B. have, however, to meet such strong opponents as the Royal Navy and Civil Service whom Kowloon have beaten.

The Indians are now equal with Kowloon. Kowloon, Indian R.C. and K.O.S.B. are all well in the running for the championship with the Civil Service and the Royal Navy not far behind and with a good many matches still to go interest will be well maintained to the end.

UNIVERSITY v. COMBINED SCHOOLS.

AN INTERESTING GAME.

On Wednesday afternoon Mr. A. E. Wood took a team of School-boys to play against a University team captained by Dr. Ponsonby-Fane. Four of the school-boys were from Queen's College, four from the Diocesan Boys' School, and two from the Central British School.

The University batted first and made 223 for 8. Gittins batted well for 74, and P. Zimmern retired after a most meritorious 58. Lee batted in nice style for 30. The bowling of the school-boys was a little disappointing, but this may be partly attributed to nervousness. Kelly was the most successful, but Mackay, Suffad, Carr and Lee all showed that they have ability. The fielding was patchy, but some of it was distinctly good, and Gerrard and Anderson deserve special mention.

Kelly was also the most successful batsman, making a vigorous 48. Ninety went up with only 4 wickets down, but Gittins was then responsible for a collapse, the 8th wicket falling at 98, with 20 minutes to go. The younger Suffad made a plucky stand with his captain, and the last wicket fell with only 5 minutes left to play.

The boys made by no means a bad show, and it is hoped that further matches of this interesting and useful nature may be arranged.

Scores:—

UNIVERSITY.	Kowloon
S. V. Gittins, c S. Suffad, b Carr	74
T. A. Lee, c Mackay, b Kelly	30
P. Zimmern, retired	58
W. H. Sling, not out	33
S. Korman, c Carr, b Kelly	13
N. Locke, b Gerrard	4
Extras	15
Total	296

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. Lee	5	43	0	
N. Mackay	8	38	0	
A. S. Suffad	7	39	0	
D. Kelly	6	35	2	
A. M. Rumjahn	3	15	0	
G. Carr	4	21	1	
D. Anderson	2	13	0	
R. Gerrard	5	5	1	

COMBINED SCHOOLS.

D. Anderson (D.B.S.), b Sulliman	1
A. S. Suffad (Q.C.), c Zimmern, b Lee	13
A. Lee (D.B.S.), b Lee	13
D. Kelly (C.B.S.), b Gittins	48
N. Mackay (D.B.S.), c Ng, b Zimmern	9
R. Gerrard (D.B.S.), run out	11
A. Hunt (Q.C.), l.b.w.	1
G. Gittins (C.B.S.), b Gittins	1
A. M. Ramjahn (Q.C.), st. Ponsonby-Fane, b Gittins	0
A. R. Suffad (Q.C.), b Gittins	0
A. E. Wood, not out	15
Extras	11
Total	119

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lee	10	18	2	
Sulliman	4	16	1	
Baker	4	19	0	
Sling	4	22	0	
Gittins	9	19	5	
Zimmern	8	10	1	

H.K.C.C. v. R.E. and Signals.

This League match will be played on the Club ground on Saturday, 2 p.m.
H.K.C.C.—A. W. Hayward (captain), H. Owen Hughes, A. C. I. Bowker, E. J. R. Mitchell, G. R. Vallack, G. F. Gardner, J. R. Hinton, Capt. E. N. Evers, F. Wooding, C. E. D. Wales and F. T. Ore.

K.B.S.F.P.A. v. China Light and Power Recreation Club.

This game will be played at King's Park on Sunday at 2 p.m. sharp.
K.B.S.F.P.A.—C. T. Evans (captain), W. Greenhalgh, W. Lawson, A. W. Summers, J. Gardner, W. Matchin, T. Whitley, J. D. Murphy, J. Hirst, S. Bliss, and L. Weill.

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Owing to the expected arrival of so many military and naval officers in the Colony, it has been found necessary for the Committee of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club to pass a bye-law debarring subscribers and their lady relatives from playing on Sundays and public holidays. This will apply to all the courses.

The bye-law was passed by the Committee with great reluctance and regret, but the present congested state of the courses renders it inevitable, particularly in view of the approaching concentration of a portion of the Shanghai Defence Force in the Colony, the officers of which, like all officers serving on the Station, are entitled to become subscribers without election. It was felt that the situation would be almost impossible unless something was done to curtail the numbers playing on Sundays and public holidays, which are the only days upon which many members can get out. The Committee can, at any time, repeal this bye-law if circumstances warrant, on any of the courses.

On race days, February 25th, and March 1st and 2nd, starting times will be in force for the old course. Lists are posted in the Hong Kong Club and times may be booked as usual. Members should note that the 8.30 a.m. train will not run on these days.

W. J. Clerk and G. B. Robertson will meet in the final of the Junior Championship. Both had good victories last Sunday, their victims being A. O. Brown and A. Sommerfelt respectively. The achievement of Robertson in beating a player like Sommerfelt 8 and 7 will no doubt make him favourite for the final.

BOXING.

NAVAL NOVICES COMPETITION.

The Royal Navy, Royal Marines and Air Forces are running a novices competition at the Naval Canton to-day and Saturday. There will be two sessions each evening commencing at 5.30 and 8.30. The finals will be held on Saturday night when Rear-Admiral Boyle (Commanding the First Cruiser Squadron) will be present and give away the prizes. The public are cordially invited, admission being free.

SCOTTISH CUP.

FOURTH ROUND DRAW.

[THROUGH LETTERS AGENCY.]
LONDON, Feb. 23rd.
The draw for the fourth round of the Scottish Cup was made to-day, resulting as follows:—
Falkirk v. Rangers.
Bo'ness v. Celtic.
Partick v. Dundee United or Montrose.Archie v. East Fife.
Matches to be played on March 2th.

LEAGUE MATCHES.

Several postponed games were played in the English and Scottish League yesterday. The results are appended:—

Division I.	Division II.
Notts County 2, Middlesbrough 2	Leeds United 0, Liverpool 0
Clapton O. 1, Hull City 2	Notts County 2, Middlesbrough 2
Division III. (Southern).	Division III. (Northern).
Bristol City 3, Southend 1	Scottish League.
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Hearts 5, Clyde 0	Partick 5, Cowdenbath 3

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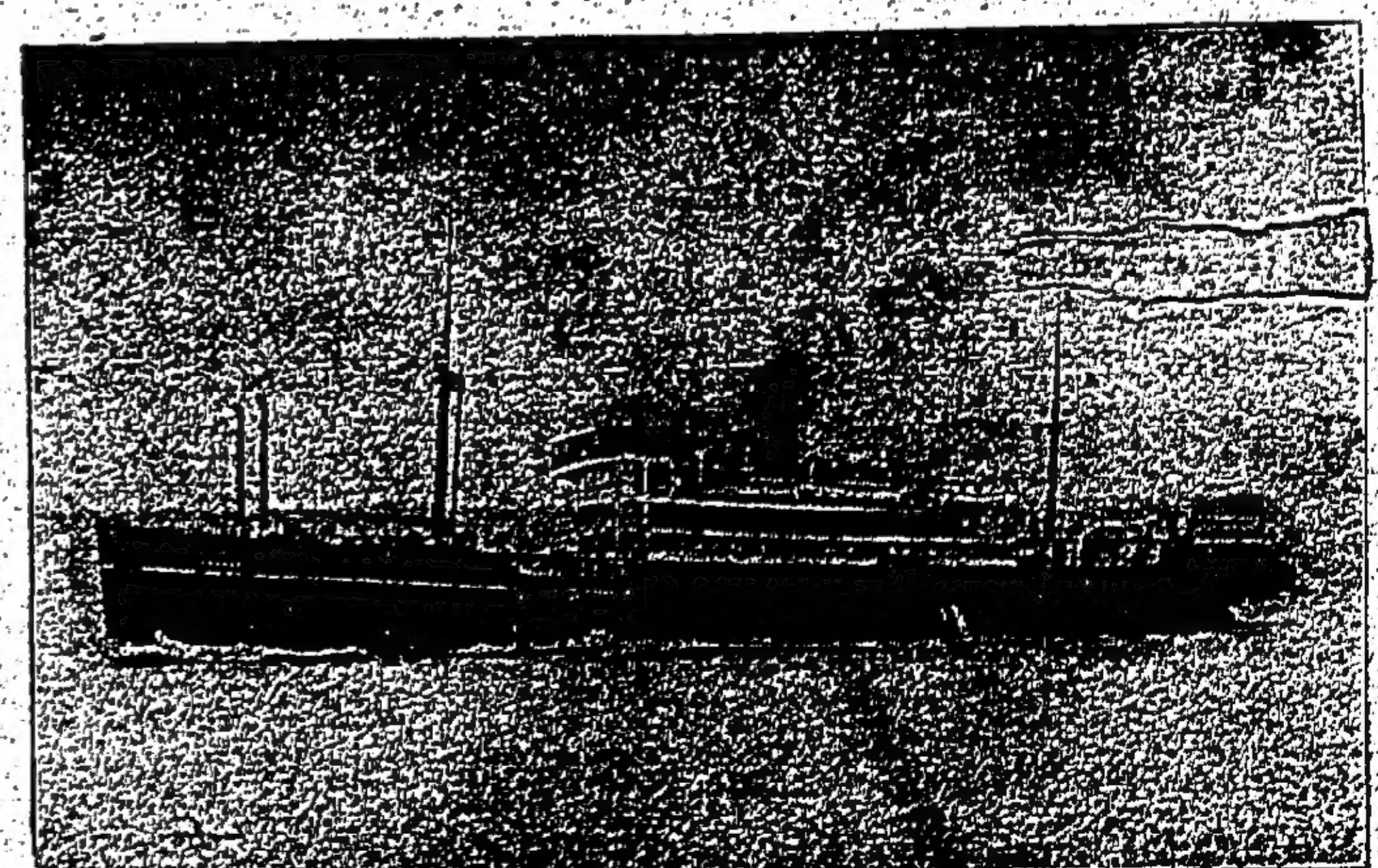
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 Chungking, Chinese str., 447 tons, Capt. Kwok Shan, from Tientsin, with a general cargo, lying at Yau-mat. —Yan Lee Co.
 Nanchang, British str., 1,528 tons, Capt. J. H. Hopkins, from Dairen and Amoy, lying at Tai-koo Dock. —B. & S.
 Nitta Maru, Japanese str., 1,985 tons, Capt. H. Kanegae, from Dairen and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A30—O.S.K.

Poo Tye, Chinese str., 745 tons, Capt. A. Laibovetsky, from Hoihow, with general cargo and pigs, lying at buoy No. C18.—Tay Sang S.S. Co.
 Tak Hing, Chinese str., 105 tons, Capt. Chang Yung Fat, from Aulan, with a general cargo, lying at Luon Cheong Wharf.—Fook Hoi Co.

February 24th.
 Empress of Asia, British str., 10,900 tons, Capt. L. D. Douglas, from Vancouver, which port she left on February 8th, with flour and general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—C.P.R.

Hop Sang, British str., 1,359 tons, Capt. P. R. G. Suming, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy C33.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 Hosen Maru, Japanese str., 3,340 tons, Capt. H. Oyama, from Keelung and Swatow, with 750 tons of merchandise, lying at O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.

Jade, French str., 366 tons, Capt. P. Marenzeller, from Pakhoi and Hoihow, with general cargo and pigs, lying at buoy No. C37.—Meiji Maru, Japanese str., 1,375 tons, Capt. A. Aoshima, from Saigon, with rice and timber, lying at buoy No. B33.—Y.K.K.

Silver Larch, British str., 3,084 tons, Capt. Chas. C. Brown, from San Francisco and Shanghai. The latter port she left on February 21st, with 300 tons of general cargo, lying at Stonecutters.—M.B.K.

CLEARANCES.

February 24th.
 Apoo, for Saigon.
 Azumaya Maru, for Hongkong.
 Chungking, for Kwang Chow Wan.
 Hai Yang, for Singapore.
 Hang Sang, for Swatow.
 Hardrot, for Haiphong.
 Hop Sang, for Canton.
 Hydrangea, for Kwang Chow Wan.
 Kinan Maru, for Tientsin.
 Kueichow, for Weihaiwei.
 Peleus, for Manila.
 Prominent, for Saigon.
 Shinsei Maru No. 1, for Chinwang-tao.
 Tak Ling, for Amoy.
 Tian, for Hoihow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.
 Per R.M.S. Empress of Asia, from Vancouver via Ports, on February 24th:—For Hong Kong: Mrs. R. Main Austin, Mr. A. Baker, Mr. G. Bowker, Mr. Frank Lee, Mrs. Lee, Miss R. Lee, Mr. F. Lee, Mr. L. Lee, Mr. A. A. Greaves, Mr. A. A. Greaves, Mr. D. K. Harman, Mr. Geo. Hogg, Mr. H. J. and Mrs. Pearce, Mr. A. A. des Remedios, Miss R. Remedios, Mr. D. E. Sassoon, Mr. J. Gubbay, Miss E. M. Weir, Mrs. P. M. Yvanovich, Master Y. A. Yvanovich, Mr. R. L. Barnhart, Mr. E. Cook, Mrs. O. Cook, Mr. J. M. de Rocha, Miss L. de Rocha, Mr. J. M. and Mrs. Henderson, Mr. F. C. Jenkin, Mr. O. Ene-barger, Mr. H. Shook, Mr. C. Din Hsin, Mr. R. Adams, Mr. C. M. Bell, Mr. J. Cooper, Mr. E. H. Dobie, Mr. E. H. Dougherty, Mr. W. E. Heston, Mr. J. A. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Lowe, Mr. W. F. Lyster, Mr. L. L. McIntyre, Rev. P. B. Means, Mr. A. Perkins, Mrs. E. Blake, Miss L. Blake, Mr. D. I. Evans, Mr. A. F. Cooke, Mr. C. Grant, Miss C. Pintos, Mrs. V. W. Strelley, Mrs. R. W. Brock, Miss E. V. Wilson, Miss R. A. Cameron, Mr. J. A. Cameron, Mr. A. J. and Mrs. Pierce, Mr. H. and Mrs. St. N. Singh, Mr. H. and Mrs. St. N. Singh, Mr. D. Wood, Mrs. M. Wood, Mrs. G. A. Arbogast, Mr. A. H. Bishop, Mr. H. Catlin, Miss B. L. Catlin, Miss L. Levy, Mr. C. J. and Mrs. Smith, Mrs. H. C. Harrison, Mr. A. B. Kar-linsky, Madame D. K. Kovach, Mrs. S. N. Simich, Miss E. Walmsley, Mr. T. Angeles, Mrs. M. Boutista, Master M. Boutista, Mr. Y. Guygan, Mr. A. and Mrs. Knoll, Dr. A. N. Ko, Mr. H. W. Widdoes.

IN TOUCH.

The following ships were expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong yesterday:—
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Mar. 23 Seattle Kioe Washington Apr. 30 Cbrg-S'mp'tn Apr. 27

Mar. 29 San Francisco Homeric Apr. 30 Cbrg-S'mp'tn May 6

Apr. 6 Seattle Leviathan Apr. 30 Cbrg-S'mp'tn May 7

Apr. 12 San Francisco Aquitania May 11 Cbrg-S'mp'tn May 17

Apr. 20 Seattle Majestic May 14 Cbrg-S'mp'tn May 20

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PRESIDENT POLE ... Tuesday, Apr. 12th, 8.00 a.m.

PRESIDENT ADAMS ... Tuesday, Apr. 26th, 8.00 a.m.

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TO MANILA.

PRESIDENT WILSON ... Mar. 1st, 6.00 a.m.

PRESIDENT LINCOLN ... Mar. 1st, 6.00 p.m.

PRESIDENT GRANT ... Mar. 7th, 6.00 p.m.

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 SINGAPORE ... "CHAKSANG" ... Monday, 28th Feb. at 3 p.m.
 TIENTSIN ... "WAISHING" ... Tuesday, 1st Mar. at Noon
 TSINGTAU via SWATOW ... "HOPSANG" ... Wednesday, 2nd Mar. at 7 a.m.
 TSINGTAU via SWATOW ... "KWONGSANG" ... Sunday, 6th Mar. at 7 a.m.
 TIENTSIN ... "CHEONGSHING" ... Tuesday, 8th Mar. at Noon
 SANDAKAN ... "MAUSANG" ... Tuesday, 8th Mar. at 1 p.m.
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EMPEROR OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Shipping Notes, Vessels Expected, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS

LOCAL AND THROUGH CARGOES DOWN.

GOODS FOR PORTS BEYOND ON BRITISH STEAMERS ONLY.

Both the local imports of general merchandise and those for ports beyond Hong Kong showed a heavy decrease yesterday.

The returns made to the Harbour Office by the vessels arriving here during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday showed that only 5,180 tons of general cargo had entered the Colony. Of these, 2,856 tons were discharged from four British steamers. The best return was shown by the s.s. "Wai Shing" (British) which brought 1,948 tons from Tientsin and Weihaiwei.

In addition to the general cargo landed here, there were also 12,800 tons of rice, timber and charcoal brought into the Colony by the Japanese steamer "Meiji Maru" from Saigon.

Through cargoes were manifested by three British steamers only. These amounted to only 603 tons.

During the period under review, there were 12 arrivals and 11 departures. The nationalities were: British, 4 arrivals and 6 departures; Japanese, 4 arrivals and 2 departures; Chinese, 4 arrivals and 1 departure; Dutch, 1 departure; German, 1 departure.

The total number of vessels in port was 20, of which, 23 were British.

The following were the cargo carriers:

S.S. "Sunning" (British) from Shanghai and Swatow, 350 tons general cargo for Hong Kong and 400 tons for ports.

S.S. "Wai Shing" (British) from Tientsin and Weihaiwei, 1,948 tons general for Hong Kong, and 60 tons for ports.

S.S. "Hop Sang" (British) from Shanghai and Swatow, 8 tons general for Hong Kong, and 143 tons for ports.

S.S. "Hui Hong" (British) from Foochow and Swatow, 350 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. "Meiji Maru" (Japanese) from Saigon, 12,800 tons of rice, timber and charcoal for Hong Kong.

S.S. "Sung Shan Maru" (Japanese) from Canton, 332 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. "Huan Maru" (Japanese) from Dairen and Shanghai, 600 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. "Ching Kong" (Chinese) from Tientsin, 650 tons general and 73 live pigs for Hong Kong.

S.S. "Pou Yee" (Chinese) from Hainan, 200 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. "Tak Hing" (Chinese) from Au Tau, 60 piculs general for Hong Kong.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The total number of deck passengers entering into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 918.

The U.S.S. "Helen" arrived in port on Wednesday afternoon.

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VESSELS EXPECTED.

Antenor (Blue Funnel), due March 5th.
Benaron (Ben Line), due March 5th.
Calchas (Blue Funnel), due March 17th.
Della (Swedish East Asiatic), due March 2nd.
Eumecurus (Blue Funnel), due March 27th.
Gambhirra (B.I. & Apar), due this morning.
Hector (Blue Funnel), due April 2nd.
Polyphemus (Blue Funnel), due March 7th.
President Jefferson (D.S. and A.M.L.), due February 27th.
President Lincoln (D.S. and A.M.L.), due February 28th.
President Wilson (D.S. and A.M.L.), due February 28th.
Rhezenor (Blue Funnel), due March 1st.
Troilus (Blue Funnel), due March 9th.

WEATHER REPORT.

Last night's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued from the Royal Observatory at 5.35 o'clock stated:—
The anti-cyclone has weakened but appears to remain central over Korea. Moderate monsoon will prevail over the Northern China Sea.
Local forecast: East winds, fresh to moderate, cloudy, fog, mist or drizzle.

At the Marine Court, yesterday morning before Lt.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., two masters and one mistress of cargo boats were each fined \$3 or three days' hard labour for mooring their craft abreast of five others alongside the s.s. "Tian".

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PORTHOS	15th Mar.
PAUL LECAT	28th Jan.	16th Mar.	29th Mar.
G. METZINGER	11th Feb.	16th Mar.	12th April
AMAZONE	25th Feb.	30th Mar.	26th April
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"MANTUA"	10,952	8th March, Noon	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	12th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & B'ham.
"NAGPORE"	5,882	14th March	Saigon, Marseilles, London, Hamburg & Rotterdam.
"NYANZA"	7,023	16th March	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	19th March	Marseilles, London & Hull.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles and London.
"KRYBBER"	9,114	9th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp, B'ham & Hull.
"DEVANEA"	8,155	15th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull.
"DELTA"	8,097	27th April	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MALWA"	10,980	30th April	Marseilles and London.
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"KHIVA"	9,138	14th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"NYANZA"	7,023	25th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MOREA"	10,138	28th May	Marseilles and London.
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"MALWA"	10,980	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,097	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"JEYPORE"	7,646	13th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NELLORE"	6,552	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KHIVA"	9,138	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,023	23rd April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,138	28th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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